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Uproar At Sind Ministerial Meeting

Platform Captured By Followers Of Hidayatullah

"Down With Allabux Cabinet"

Demand For Formation Of New Ministry

KARACHI, March 29.

Uproarious scenes, interspersed with slogans of "Islam in Danger," and "Down with Alla Bux Ministry," marked the proceedings of a meeting convened by the new Ministerial (Coalition) Party to explain their programme and policy to the public at the Kaliq Dina Hall, to-night.

BEFORE THE MEETING STARTED, THE PLATFORM WAS CAPTURED BY THE FOLLOWERS OF THE PARTY OF SIR GHULAM HUSSEIN HIDAYATU LLAH, HEADED BY SHEIKH ABDUL MAJID AND MR. M. H. GAZDAR.

Chairman's Exit

Mr. I. I. Kazi, Bar-at-Law, who was in the Chair, left the meeting in disgust, along with Pir Ellahi Bux, the Revenue Minister.

Thereafter Mr Gazdar was elected President of the meeting.

Sheikh Abdul Majid, Mr. Gazdar and others denounced the new Ministry as anti-Muslim, who had "surrendered to the Hindus."

Nobody gave chance to the new Ministry to reply, as all hooted them down.

POLICE ON SCENE

During the meeting, black flags were freely demonstrated. As feelings were running high, the Police were summoned.

At the conclusion of the meeting, a resolution was passed, stating that the new Ministry did not enjoy the confidence of the Muslims of Sind, since there was a wide disparity in its programme as compared with that of the Hidyatullah Ministry. Therefore, the new Ministry must resign, and, in its place, a fresh Ministry ought to be formed with the programme of the Muslim League.

The resolution further asked the Muslim members of the new Ministerial Party to resign their membership of the Assembly.—United Press.

Sind Cabinet 'Steals' Congress Programme

KARACHI, March 29.

The Chief Minister announced on the floor of the Sind Legislative Assembly to-day the policy and programme of the new Ministry which contains, among others, the following items:—

1. Standardisation of emoluments for Ministers on Congress lines;
2. Abolition of the system of nominations to local bodies;
3. Suspension of recovery of fines;
4. Abolition of the institution of honorary magistrates;
5. Stoppage of holding durbars for Collectors and Commissioners;
6. Amelioration of the lot of primary teachers;
7. Forbidding of monopolies in respect of motor traffic on certain roads;
8. Fair treatment to Labour.

HANSRAJ AND OBEIDULLAH

As regards the release of Hansraj "Wireless", the Chief Minister said that he could give no undertaking at present that he would be released forthwith. He would meet the prisoner concerned and satisfy if Hansraj abjured the cult of violence.

Maulana Obeidullah, he said, never applied for facilities to return home. The Chief Minister, however, assured that Sind would have no objection if the Government of India allowed him to return.

After assuring that the legitimate interests of minor communities would be safeguarded and it would be the constant aim of the Government to harmonize different claims into a unified policy, the Premier declared amidst cheers:—

"We feel that this Province cannot remain unaffected by the tidal wave of national awakening. We shall, therefore, be guided by national aspirations of the people of this country.

There is no doubt there are many items in the Congress programme which the Sind public appreciate and support. It will be the duty of Government to carry out these items having regard to the circumstances of the Province. There has been no bargaining with any party. The undertaking given, I repeat, is that we shall run the administration on broad national lines to enable the people to enjoy the benefits of transference of power from the irresponsible Executive to the representatives of the people.

"There was neither the mention of prohibition nor forgoing titles".—United Press.

ASSAM C. L. A. ACT PRISONERS

SHILLONG, March 29.

A press note issued to-day says that orders are being issued for the unconditional release from all restraint of the remaining persons dealt with under the Assam Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1934.

With the exception of one person, who is a foreigner and who has been externed from the Province of Assam, no more persons will now be under restraint in Assam under the said Act.—United Press.

No Class War

STRIKES AS LAST RESORT

Sardar Patel On Gandhi Seva Sangh Labour Union Plans

BERBOI, March 29.

The difference between the work relating to labour undertaken by the Gandhi Seva Sangh and that of other trade unions was explained by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in an interview with the "Associated Press" to-day.

He referred to the Trade Union Congress and said that the basic policy of that organisation was a class war, while the Labour Union proposed to be organised by the Gandhi Seva Sangh would be on the lines of the Ahmedabad Labour Association in which the idea of a class war was excluded and emphasis laid on Truth and Non-Violence. The new organisation would lay great emphasis on these principles and strive for a peaceful solution of all labour troubles. It would not rule out strikes, but would also regard strikes as the last resort, and would be definitely opposed to sporadic ones.

Asked to be apprised of the proposal mentioned in Britain, Sardar Patel said that the idea had not been taken up seriously in any quarter. In any case the Congress could not reconcile itself to a federation which did not give full autonomy at the centre, including Finance and Defence.

Asked how the increased interest of the Gandhi Seva Sangh workers in politics was likely to affect the Congress Ministries, Mr. Patel said that it would only strengthen them so long as they honestly tried to give effect to the Congress Manifesto. The Socialists were in insignificant numbers in the Congress legislatures and their influence was not much there. With greater participation of the Gandhi Seva Sangh workers in politics the hands of the Ministries would in any case be strengthened against all other forces opposed in the Congress.—A. P.

Primary Education Amending Bill
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SHAHIDGANJ SURPRISE.

LAHORE, March 29.

It is understood the Working Committee of the Majlis Ahrar after three days heated discussion has decided to suspend civil disobedience movement in connection with Shahidgunj. An official announcement to this effect is expected to be made to-morrow.

The Majlis-i-Ittihad at a meeting held this evening decided to continue civil disobedience.—A. P.

BENGAL CABINET CRISIS?

CALCUTTA, March 29.

Lobby discussion in the Assembly this evening indicated that Syed Nausherali, Minister for Public Health has definitely made up his mind to resign but that efforts are being made to persuade him to reconsider the decision. The formal resignation, however, has not yet been submitted, which is apparent from what the Premier Fazlul Huq told a group of pressmen "nobody has yet resigned."—A. P.

Gandhiji's Surprise For A. I. S. A.!

Proposal To Give Eight Annas Per Day For Spinner

BERBOI, (Delang). March, 29.

WORKERS OF THE ALL-INDIA SPINNERS' ASSOCIATION WERE TAKEN BY SURPRISE WHEN GANDHIJI IN THIS MORNING'S SITTING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE ALL-INDIA SPINNERS' ASSOCIATION PROPOUNDED THAT EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO GIVE EIGHT ANNAS AS MINIMUM WAGES TO SPINNERS WORKING FOR EIGHT HOURS A DAY, THUS ALLOWING AT LEAST FIFTEEN RUPEES PER MONTH. MAHATMAJI ALSO SAID THAT THE PRICE OF KHADI SHOULD BE SO FIXED AS TO BRING MORE MONEY FROM THE RICH AND LESS FROM THE POOR. GANDHIJI ASKED MEMBERS SERIOUSLY TO PONDER OVER HIS PROPOSALS. THE SITTING WAS THEREAFTER ADJOURNED.

Among those who attended the sitting were Seth Jamnalal Bajaj, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Babu Rajendra Prasad, Dr. Pattabi Sitaramayya, Shankerlal Banker and [illegible] secretaries.

The [illegible] at the conference resolved that a loan of about six lakhs of rupees be incurred through bank system in order to meet demand by increasing production of Khadi—United Press.

Seva Sangh Will Meet In Bihar Next Year

BERBOI, March 29.

The business before the Gandhi Seva Sangh Conference came to a close this afternoon when the Conference adopted a resolution recommending to the Sangh members to create an atmosphere for the success of Mahatma Gandhi's Education scheme and give the fullest co-operation to the organisation formed at the Haripura Congress session in that connection.

The Seva Sangh resolved to meet in Bihar next year.

The Conference will meet tomorrow afternoon in order to exchange farewell greetings after which Mr. Kishorilal Mushruwalla, the President, will conclude the Conference with a short speech.—A.P.

Britain & U. S. To Invoke Escalator Clause Of London Naval Treaty

LONDON, March 29.

A formal announcement of the decision of Britain and the United States to invoke the Escalator Clause of the London Naval treaty in view of the refusal of Japan to furnish assurance that she is not constructing capital ships of over 35,000 tons will be made before the end of the week says Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

It is only intended to invoke the Clause in the case of capital-ships.

The question of cruisers is not at present being considered. France won't notify her intention to invoke the clause.

It is understood she does not wish to build larger capital ships unless any other European power decide to do so.

It is pointed out that the treaty provides for a period of three months for consultation between the signatory powers with regard to the degree of escalation and so the actual size of larger battleships will not be decided until these consultations are held. The treaty also provides that an endeavour must be made to reach an agreement with a view to reducing to the minimum the departures from the Original treaty limitations.—Reuter.

DEMOLITION IN HUGE AREA

Fierce Fight For N. Section Of Tienstin-Pukow Railway

SHANGHAI, March 29.

Reinforced by eight new divisions the Japanese claim that they are fighting back hard in the northern section of the Tienstin-Pukow Railway. The Chinese, however, state that they are holding positions won in the past few days and recrossed the Grand Canal and two further points to-day.

Fighting is going on after raging ceaselessly nightlong. It is stated all villages within an area of 100 square miles have been literally wiped off the map.—Reuter.

British Protest To General Hata

SHANGHAI, March 29.

A strong protest has been made by British military authorities to General Hata, the Japanese Commander-in-Chief, regarding the recent behaviour of the Japanese military and police, particularly two incidents yesterday when Major Healey, Commander of the [illegible], was threatened by a [illegible] officer who pointed a [illegible] stomach, when the [illegible] stopped a group of lorries trying to enter the British Defence Sector in the International Settlement.

In the other incident, Japanese military and police threatened British officers and sentries with firearms, when they were prevented from entering the British Defence Sector. British soldiers are now instructed that in future they may take suitable action in their own defence in the event of being struck or threatened by Japanese troops, military and police.—Reuter.

Sequel To Collapse Of Chinese Dollar

SHANGHAI, March 29.

The British businessmen are alarmed at to-day's sensational break in the Chinese dollar.

They say that what remains of their trade will be threatened in the ruin if the dollar goes lower. Most of this trade consists of goods imported for sale to Chinese merchants who will now be not able to pay the increased cost in terms of dollars. Not only will they hesitate to make fresh dollar contracts but it is feared that many existing ones will not be fulfilled.

The businessmen also foresee the prospect of the employees demanding increased wages to meet the inevitable rise in the cost of living. The price of oil and petrol rose by ten per cent to-day.—Reuter.

HONGKONG DOLLAR IS SAFE

HONGKONG, March 29.

Sir Grayburn, Chief Manager of the Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation, said that the Hongkong dollar was safe and sound and not likely to go any lower.—Reuter.

NANKING, CAPITAL OF NEW GOVT.

SHANGHAI, March 29.

The new Japanese-sponsored Government in Central China with Nanking as its capital was proclaimed here to-day.—Reuter.

Bombay Council

Return Of Confiscated Lands

BOMBAY GOVT. WON'T PAY EXORBITANT PRICE

Why Grudge Haripura Villagers Expense On A Good Road, Asks Nurie

Government had laid down a certain policy in regard to constructing roads in the Province, and this policy would continue, declared the Hon'ble Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Minister for Public Works, replying to the criticism in the discussion over the construction of the Haripura road, which was raised in the Bombay Legislative Council (Upper Chamber), on Tuesday.

Why Grudge Villagers a good Road

The Minister said that the issue should be judged on merits, and asked why was it that while they wanted first class roads between Bombay and Poona or Bombay and Nasik, they should grudge the same facility to the people of Haripura. Was it because, these people were from the rural areas?

THIS PICTURE AND THAT

The Hon. Mr. Nurie ironically added that if the Bombay-Thana road were asphalted, he imagined the Minister would have been feted and congratulated for the "public service" he had rendered.

If Bombay could have a 50,000-rupees-a-mile road, why should they grudge the villagers a well-laid road, asked the Minister.

SOLANKI'S SUPPORT

Dr. Solanki said that he had personally witnessed the enthusiasm of the villagers and cultivators who, with their wives and children thronged the Haripura session. Government did the right thing in looking to the safety, comfort and convenience of lakhs of poor people who were present at the Congress.

Proceedings In Detail

The Bombay Legislative Council met on Tuesday with the Hon. Mr. Mangaldas M. Pakvasa, President, in the chair, when discussion took place on the supplementary demands for expenditure incurred in the year 1937-38.

Replying to questions, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Latthe, Finance Minister, said that a few of the confiscated lands were restored to their owners and in the case of the rest negotiations were in progress. It was not in public interest to state what the terms would be even though it would be possible to state what they were. But at present it was impossible to say what they were and it was not possible to make any statement on this point at this stage.

NO EXORBITANT PRICES

The Hon. Mr. Morarji R. Desai Revenue Minister, added that the House could depend on Government not paying any exorbitant prices for these lands. If any one came forward saying he had effected improvements on the land purchased by him, the value of any visible improvement would be paid, but mere claim could never be considered.

There was a brief discussion when the Hon. Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Industries and Local Self-Government presented a demand under the head Miscellaneous, which included the charges for illumination of Provincial buildings on the occasion of the Coronation on May 12 and 13, 1937.

Mr. Shantilal H. Shah said that the past Government spent this amount, and the present Government had nothing to do with it.

Dr. P. G. Solanki thought that after all Indians were accustomed to this kind of celebration on such occasions and they should be generous on such occasions.

The Hon. Mr. L. M. Patil, said that it was not for him to say whether the money was spent rightly or wrongly, but the expenditure was already incurred.

HARIPURA ROADS

The discussion then turned on the expenditure incurred by Government on the Haripura roads.

Mr. D. N. Deodheker raised discussion on this point and proceeded to refer to the speeches in the Lower House.

Mr. Sohrab R. Davar said that the argument of Government that this was expenditure incurred for the benefit of the public did not convince him. This was an expenditure incurred for the furtherance of the Party aims and objects and should have been drawn from Party funds. After all Congress was a powerful organisation and one businessman from Bombay could have given the money required.

Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim asked whether this road would have been repaired if the Congress session was held somewhere else. He thought that this amount could have been spent for a better purpose.

IN INTERESTS OF MASSES

Dr. P. G. Solanki did not agree with the members of the Opposition, who had criticised the action of the Government in this respect, because they had never given serious attention to the problem from the villagers' point of view. But his grievance was that Government should have taken the two Houses into their confidence, before incurring this expenditure. He would say that whatever the Government did in in this respect was for the safety, health and convenience of the public, who collected in their lakhs at Haripura. It was not the whole truth to say that the cream of Indian society was present there. The bulk of the people present were the villagers, the cultivators, with their wives and children. He had seen the villagers surcharged with enthusiasm at the idea of attending the Congress session, which was being held in a village. The Congress had succeeded in establishing mass contact. He thought that it was the duty of any Government to take all these steps for the safety and comfort of the people.

The Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Minister for Public Works, said that he wished to make it clear that Gov

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NOTICE.

WITH effect from 1st April, 1938, the timings of trains on the Main Line and Branches of the Broad Gauge System will be slightly revised.

For details, please see Sheet Time Tables at stations.

W. T. ALDOUS,
Ag. General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 25th March, 1938. 8231.

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Public Notices

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

AN ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on THURSDAY, the 7th April, 1938, at 3 p.m. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. Appointment of Mayor for the year 1938-39.
2. Interpellations.
3. Application for gratuity, etc., from the widow of a deceased scavenger.
4. Letter from the Honorary Secretary, Hindi Pathashala, Vadgadi, Mandvi—Applying for a grant in aid of the Pathshala.
5.-8. Letters from (5) Mr. Tokarshi Deoji and others; (6) Mr. N. K. Chauhan and other exstudents; (7) Mr. K. G. Chauhan and others; and (8) Mr. Kanji Karamsi Master—Regarding the management of the K. K. Mandvi Gujarati Municipal School.
9. Letters from Messrs Nagindas Hooseinally and Co., Solicitors—Regarding certain construction work carried on by a lessee on a plot in Sydenham Road Estate.
10-12. Letters from the authorities of the (10) Shri Shivaji Vyayam Mandir; (11) Shri Laxmi Narayan Vyayam Shala; and (12) Adams-Wylie Memorial Hospital—Forwarding the Annual Reports, etc., of their respective institutions.
13. Letter from Mr. Navroji B. Panthaki—Suggesting certain references to be made in the Address to be presented to Babu Subhas Chandra Bose, President of the Indian National Congress.
14. Letters from the Executive Chairman, the All-India Population and Family Hygiene Conference—Inviting the Corporation to appoint delegates to the Conference to be held in Bombay in April 1938.

Resolutions Of The Standing Committee—

15. Recommending an additional grant from Surplus Cash Balance to meet payment of honoraria to certain staff of the Fire Brigade engaged to extricate living persons and dead bodies covered over by the debris of a collapsed premises at Chakla Street.
16. Forwarding the Municipal Auditors' annual report on the examination of the Main and Ward office ledgers of the Assessment and Collection Department for the year 1936-37.
17. Regarding verification of stores in charge of the Chief Storekeeper.
18. Modifying, subject to confirmation by the Corporation, the Municipal Service Regulation relating to grant of disability leave.
19. Recommending acceptance of a donation for opening an Eye Hospital in the building of the Bai Lingoobai Rajanna Jalooji Eye Dispensary at Kamatipura.
20. Modifying, subject to confirmation by the Corporation, some of the Municipal Povident Fund Regulations.
21. Statements of Budget transfers sanctioned finally by the Committee.

Resolutions Of The Improvements Committee—

22. Regarding renewal of the lease of certain plots in Sydenham Road Estate.
23. Regarding an offer received to take on lease a plot of land in the Hornby Road to Ballard Pier Scheme.

Resolutions Of The Special Committees—

24. Regarding the relaying of enlarged water mains in Vithalwadi Lane.
25. Regarding the widening of roads surrounding the Indian Gymkhana Playground in Dadar-Matunga Estate.
26. Recommending continuance of the arrangements made with the Kurla Municipality for the slaughter of buffaloes, etc.
27. Regarding the licence fees fixed in respect of mutton stallholders in private markets.
28. Schools Committee's letter—Regarding extension of Compulsory Primary Education in A, C and D Wards.

Letters From The Commissioner—

29. Recommending sanction to an encroachment on the compulsory open space of a plot in Sydenham Road Estate.
30. Forwarding the monthly Analytical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water Supplies.
31. Regarding the assignment of the lease granted in respect of a plot in Wellington Lines Estate.
32. Regarding the grant of a lease in perpetuity of a plot in Sydenham Road Estate.
33. Forwarding quarterly statements regarding the cleansing of drains and sewers in the City.
34. Forwarding a list showing the breeding places of malaria carrier mosquitoes detected in February 1938.
35. Recommending sanction to an encroachment on the compulsory open space of a plot in Naigaum Estate.
36. Regarding the lease of a plot in Parel Road North Estate.
37. Reporting on an application for gratuity from retired scavengers.
38-41. Letters from (38) Mr. Chiranjilal R. Loyalka; (39) Capt. Jos. Alban D'Souza, I.M.S.; (40) Mr. M. A. Karanjawala; and (41) Mr. Haroon T. Noorani, applying for leave of absence from the Corporation's meetings.
42. Telegram from H. H. the Aga Khan—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution on the death of Lady Ali Shah.
43. Letter from Sir Gilbert Wiles, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., I.C.S.—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution appreciating his services on the Corporation
44. From Mr. J. M. Rane—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution on the death of Rao Saheb M. D. Rane, J.P.

Government Communications:—

45-46. Re-appointing (45) Mr. W. R. G. Smith and Rao Bahadur B. P. Jagtap; and (46) Rao Bahadur B. P. Jagtap and Mr. G. E. Bennett to be members of the Standing Committee and the Improvements Committee, respectively.
47. Regarding the levy of surtax on the consumption of electrical energy.
48. Regarding the fixing of the joining time pay of Mr. D. Symington, I.C.S., appointed to act as Municipal Commissioner during the absence on leave of Mr. I. H. Taunton, I.C.S.

Communications From The Municipal Secretary—

49. Submitting a statement of undisposed of references before the Committees of the Corporation.
50. Submitting a list of Resolutions awaiting reports from the Commissioner.
51. Submitting a return of attendance of Councillors at meetings of the Corporation, the Standing Committee, the Improvements Committee and other Committees and Sub-Committees, etc., during the year ended the 31st March 1938.
52. Confirmation of the Special Committees' Proceedings.
53. Schools Committee's letters—Forwarding printed copies of the Committee's proceedings.

Notices Of Motion—

54. From Dr. Sir Mangaldas V. Mehta, Kt. O.B.E., seconded by Sir Ishwardas Lakhmidas, Kt., and supported by six other Councillors—For increasing the accommodation in the Municipal Maternity Homes.
55. From Dr. J. N. Choksy—For requesting the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee to examine and report on the rights of the Corporation and the B.E.S. and T. Co., Ltd., in the Deeds of Concessions granted to the Company, etc.
56. From Mr. Behram N. Karanjia—For appointing Dr. Sir Mangaldas V. Mehta, Kt., O.B.E. to be an additional member of the Grants-in-aid Committee.
57-59. From Dr. Mrs. Malinibai B. Sukthankar—Regarding (57) the desirability of claiming a share from Government in the construction of "Traffic Islands" in the City; (58) the advisability of licensing midwives and dais; and (59) the fees received from the issue of medical certificates from different Municipal Hospitals.
60. From Dr. Khurshed J. J. Cursetji—For providing public sanitary conveniences in the Traffic Island at Flora Fountain.
61-62. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker—(61) For rescinding a Corporation Resolution regarding the grant of higher grade salaries to certain teachers; and (62) regarding payment of a grant by the Schools Committee towards the sports held by the South Indians' Welfare Society.
63. From Prof. A Soares—For obtaining a report from the Medical Relief, etc., Committee on the causes of the increase of and on measures for bringing down the death-rate in the City.
64 From Mr. Mohanlal M. Desai—For framing rules to regulate grants-in-aid to several institutions in the City.
65. From Mr. Rajaram K. Vaidya—For requesting the Commissioner to allot a plot between Portuguese Church Road and Gokhale Road (South) for a playground for children.
66. From Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji—For expressing opinion in favour of amending the Bombay Nurses and Midwives, etc., Act, 1935, so as to secure powers for the Corporation to control the profession of midwives through registration, etc.

By Order of His Worship the Mayor,
D. V. NADKARNI,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 29th March 1938. (8253)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

THE work of collecting Voters' names by house to house inspection for preparing the new Electoral Roll for the General Elections to be held in 1939, will commence from FRIDAY, the 1st April, 1938. The public are earnestly requested to co-operate by supplying the required information promptly and correctly to the Enumerators.

I. H. TAUNTON,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.
Bombay, 22nd March, 1938. 8214.

EASTERN GROUP-SLEEPER CONTROL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from the following communities only for the post of Student Sleeper Passing Officer on a salary of Rs. 250 per mensem.

(a) Anglo Indians
(b) Indian Christians
(c) Sikhs
(d) Parsis.

2. Applicants should not be over twenty-five years of age on the 1st April, 1938.
3. Candidates should possess 'one' of the following:
   (a) A science degree of any recognised University.
   (b) An Engineering degree or academic qualification recognised by the Institute of Engineers, India, or Corporate Membership of the Institution itself.
   (c) Any qualification of a suitable standard in forestry recognised by the Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun.
   AND
   A physical certificate of fitness equivalent to the "A" Class Army Standard signed by a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon and preferably by the Chief Medical Officer of a Railway.
4. Full details and a prescribed form will be supplied on application and payment of Rupees five at the Office of the undersigned.
5. Applications on the prescribed form with attested copies of certificates, references and testimonials must reach the undersigned on or before the 29th April, 1938.

W. H. GILLON,
Sleeper Control Officer,
Eastern Group.
B. N. Railway House,
Kidderpore, Calcutta.
Dated the 24th March, 1938. 8230.

NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for purchase of surplus iron and steel material containing angles, flats, bolts, etc. Tenders returnable on 9th April. For tender form, apply General Manager, Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd., Bombay House, Fort, Bombay. 8251

NOTICE.

BACK BAY RECLAMATION.

Plots Nos. 116 and 116-A.

The Collector will put up to Public Auction leases of Plots 116 and 116-A, situated on Jamshedji Tata Road in Block II of the Back Bay Reclamation, measuring about 1,737 and 600 square yards respectively on 5th April, 1938 at 1 p.m. (S.T.) in his office at Old Custom House, Fort.

Plot No. 116-A will be leased for the erection of a Petrol Service Station only. Prospective lessees will have to deposit with the Collector in cash or in Government Securities Rs. 15,000 in respect of Plot No. 116 and Rs. 7,500 in respect of Plot No. 116-A on the day previous to the date of auction. The deposit will be forfeited if a bidder withdraws his bid.

The Collector is not bound to accept the highest or any bid and the acceptance of the bid is subject to the sanction of Government.

T. E. STREATFIELD,
Collector of Bombay.
Collector's Office, Bombay.
30th March, 1938. 8245.

S. S. "NAPLES MARU."

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per the above steamer are hereby informed of her arrival here on 28th March, 1938, from Japan via ports en route and requested to present Bills of Lading for counter-signature without delay. Applications for survey should be made in writing to the undersigned within 7 days after discharging and prior to removal of cargo from the Landing Shed.

N. MATSURA,
Manager,
Osaka Syosen Kabusiki Kaisha.

Public Notices

G. I. P. RAILWAY

CHEAP RETURN TICKETS

With effect from 1st April, 1938, Cheap Return Tickets will be issued between the following points:—

BOMBAY, BYCULLA and DADAR

to	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class. Mail	3rd Class. Ordy.
BEGAMPET (via Wadi)	Rs. 98-5-0	Rs. 49-3-0	Rs. 14-3	Rs. 13-12.

These tickets will be issued in both directions available for completion of the Return Journey for 18 days from the mid-night of the date of issue.

No break of journey is permitted on these tickets. (8248)

ARMY HEADQUARTERS, INDIA, OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF CONTRACTS. Disposal Organisation.

TENDER NO. 5294|2.

Under instructions from the Government of India, the Director of Contracts, A.H.Qrs., Simla, invites tenders to reach him by 4 P.M. on 28-4-'38, at the latest for the whole or any portion of the insulating materials for cold storage purposes available for sale as detailed below. The Director of Contracts reserves the right to reject any tender in whole or in part without assigning reason thereof:—

All the insulating materials are new and are still packed in original containers and are at present stored at the places shown below:—

ITEM NO.

I. CORK INSULATION.—Suppliers—Gregson & Co., Ltd., in cartons, containing 6 cubic feet each, all in slabs 36 in. x 12 in.
(a) Cartons containing 3" thick slabs. ..... 1,079.
(b) Cartons containing 4" thick slabs ..... 489.

II. BITUMEN, INODOROUS.—Suppliers—Briggs & Co., Ltd., in drums containing approximately 350 lbs. each. 28 tons 19 cwts.

III. SKEWERS METAL FOR FIXING CORK.—Suppliers—Gregson & Co., Ltd., 67 cases containing:—
(a) 6" x 7|32" ..... Nos. 4,20,000.
(b) 7" x 1|4" ..... Nos. 1,00,000.

The above materials are stored at Karachi and may be inspected on application to the Embarkation Commandant, Kiamari.

IV. CORK INSULATION.—Suppliers—Gregson & Co., Ltd., in cartons containing 6 cubic feet each, all in slabs 36 in. x 12 in.
(a) Cartons containing 3" thick slabs. ..... 735.
(b) Cartons containing 4" thick slabs ..... 250.

These materials are stored at Calcutta and may be inspected on application to the Embarkation Commandant, Calcutta.

V. CORK INSULATION.—Suppliers—Rankin & Co., Ltd., and Mundet & Co., in cartons containing 6 cubic feet each. Stored at stations as shown below:—

Station.	A 2 inch. Cartons	Sq. ft.		B 3 inch. Cartons.	Sq. ft.		C 4 inch. Cartons.	Sq. ft.
DELHI	—	—	(1)	890	21360	(1)	889	16,002
LAHORE	—	—	(2)	760	18240	(2)	1440	25,920
KARACHI	—	—	(3)	1476	35424	(3)	300	5,400
MANZAI	—	—	(4)	648	15552	(4)	253	4,194
BANNU	—	—	(5)	996	13904	(5)	517	9,306
MARI INDUS	—	—	(6)	228	5472		—	—

Station.	A 2 inch. Cartons.	Sq. ft.		B 3 inch. Cartons.	Sq. ft.		C 4 inch. Cartons.	Sq. ft.
Kohat	(1)	600	21,600	(7)	648	15552	(6)	185	3330
Nowshera	(2)	134	4,824	(8)	680	16320		—	—
Rawalpindi		—	—	(9)	940	22560	(7)	1440	25920
Sialkot		—	—	(10)	185	4440		—	—
Jullundur		—	—	(11)	296	7104		—	—
Ferozepur	(3)	76	2,736	(12)	296	7104		—	—
Multan		—	—	(13)	296	7104		—	—
Quetta		—	—	(14)	530	12720	(8)	84	1560
Ambala		—	—	(15)	680	16320		—	—
Peshawar		—	—	(16)	940	22560	(9)	610	10968

NOTE:—One 2" Carton is eq. to 36 sq. ft.
One 3" Carton is eq. to 24 sq. ft.
One 4" Carton is eq. to 18 sq. ft.

ITEM NO.

VI. GRANULATED CORK.
Stored at Quetta.
450 Maunds. Suppliers:—Messrs. Mundet & Co., Ltd.

VII. BITUMEN MAXPHALTE. Suppliers:—Messrs. Burma Shell and Co., 21 tons 2 cwt. 20 lbs.

This material is stored at the stations noted below:—

		Tons.	Cwt.	Qrt.	Lbs.
(1)	Lahore Cantonment	15	5	—	6
(2)	Jullundur	2	5	—	-
(3)	Thal	0	1	—	22
(4)	Mari Indus	1	-	3	15
(5)	Multan Cantonment	2	6	3	14
(6)	Delhi	-	3	—	19

The materials shown under items (V), (VI) and (VII) may be inspected on application to the local officer-in-charge Supplies, except in the case of Delhi, Lahore and Karachi. In case of Delhi, Lahore and Karachi, application to inspect should be made to the Secretary, Abbattoir Liquidation Committee, Delhi.

VIII. LOW TEMPERATURE COLD STORAGE DOORS.
Size about 3' 8" X 6' X 9" X 6" thick all in the best quality teak, less fittings and cork insulation 33
(Drawings will be forwarded on application to the Secretary, Abattoir Liquidation Committee, Delhi).
Makes:—Messrs. H. S. Hyde & Co., Delhi.

IX. FITTINGS FOR COLD STORAGE DOORS.
Consisting of best English slam type (2) Karachi 50 sets.
latches ..... (1) Delhi 26 sets.
Suppliers:—Messrs. J. & E. Hall Dartford, England.

ITEM NO.

X. FEATHERCRETE.
(2' X 2' X 4" thick)
At Karachi ..... 2196 sq. ft.
At Lahore ..... 31568 sq. ft.
Suppliers:—Messrs. William Jacks & Co., New Delhi.

XI. RICE HUSKS ..... 1013-1|4 Mds.
Suppliers:—Messrs. William Jacks & Co., New Delhi.

The materials shown under items VIII, IX, X and XI are stored by and may be inspected on application to the Secretary, Abattoir Liquidation Committee, Delhi.

Applications should be made immediately to the Director of Contracts, A.H.Qrs., Simla, for the prescribed tender form for tender No. 5294|2 which will be supplied without charge together with a cover superscribed:—

"Tender No. 5294|2 due 28-4-1938"

in which the tender should be enclosed and sealed before submission. 8236

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Public Notices

BOMBAY TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company held this day a Final Dividend of Rs. 2|8|0 per share equal to 5 per cent free of Income-tax for the year ending 31st December, 1937, was declared on all issued shares of the Company payable to shareholders appearing on the Register as on the 9th day of March 1938 and that such dividend will be paid by warrant payable on or after the 30th day of March 1938.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1938.

P. V. R. IYER,
Joint Secretary.

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THACKERSEY PRAGJI of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust maintenance, possession, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of Leasehold land, containing by admeasurement 550 square yards or thereabouts registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 17, New No. 85, New Survey No. 7130 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 672 of Malabar Hill Division together with the messuages tenements and buildings standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under Ward D No. 3462 and Street No. 11 all which premises are situated at and on the East side of Peddar Road or Cumballa Hill at Bombay and are bounded as follows:—on or towards the East and North formerly by the property of the late Cahandas Mancharam but now of Mafatlal Gagalbhai on the South by the property of Visvanath Narayan Mandlik and on the West by the Peddar Road.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1938.

AMARCHAND & MANGALDAS,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

8247.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 1055 of 1937.

FRAMROZE CAWASJI BATLIWALA ..... Plaintiff.
vs.
RAJARAM TUKARAM ..... Defendant.

TAKE NOTICE that this Hon'ble Court will be moved before Mr. Justice Somjee on THURSDAY, 5th April, 1938, at 11 A.M. (S.T.) or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard by Counsel for the Plaintiff for a Decree Absolute for Sale and for an Order:

(1) that the properties described in the Schedule to the Preliminary Mortgage Decree dated 18th August, 1937, may be sold in one or more lots by this Court and the net sale proceeds be applied towards satisfaction of the amount payable by the defendant to the plaintiff under the said Preliminary Mortgage Decree.

(2) that liberty may be given to the plaintiff to bid at the said sale or sales and to set off the amount of the purchase money against the amount due to him under the said Preliminary Mortgage Decree;

(3) that the plaintiff's costs of this application, the Order to be made thereon and of the sale or sales may be provided for.

and

(4) for further and other directions and orders as may be deemed fit by this Court in the premises.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1938.

(Sd.) MERWANJI KOLA & CO.,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

NOTE:—Affidavit of Framji Cawasji Batliwala the Plaintiff sworn on 18th March, 1938, will be used in support of the above Notice of Motion

To.
RAJARAM TUKARAM
The defendant abovenamed.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. MANEKJI RUSTOMJI BILLIMORIA and his wife BAI MEHERBAI MANEKJI BILLIMORIA have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Ismail Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, and to the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground partly of the Quit and Ground Rent and partly of the Pension and Tax tenure with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Lohar Street Dhobi Talao, without the Fort of Bombay, in the registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement two hundred and eighty-seven square yards or thereabouts and bounded, on or towards the North by Sonapur Street otherwise known as Lohar Street (Dhobi Talao), on or towards the South by the Parsi Fire Temple, on or towards the East by the property of Framji Dadabhoy Albaiwalla, on or towards the West by the Trinity Chapel Street and which said premises are registered in books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 1150, New No. 6877, B/673 and 2651, Old Survey No. 1222 and New Survey Nos. 1/8259 and 2/8259 Cadastral Survey No. 413 Bhuleshwar Division and Current Rent Roll Nos. 2409 and 151 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 'C' Ward Nos. 2810 to 2812 and Old Street Nos. 340, 342, 344, 350, 352 and 354 and New Street Nos. 209-219

Dated this 29th day of March, 1938.

A. B. SUTARIA,
for Messrs. DASTUR & CO.,
Purchasers Attorneys.

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Auction Sales

SALE of Valuable Salt Pans, situate at Aneek at Trombay under instructions from Messrs. Hormusjee M. Vakeel & Co., attorneys for the Vendors. Sale on THURSDAY, the 7th April, 1938, at 4-30 p. m. at the rooms of the auctioneers from whom full particulars may be obtained or from the above mentioned attorneys, 60, Forbes Street.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
123, Medows Street.

BENNETT & Co.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD AND MODERN FURNITURE, FRIGIDAIRE, ETC.

Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will on SUNDAY, the 3rd April, 1938, at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at Meher Mansion, Cooperage Road opp. Band Stand furniture such as sliding dining table, Sideboard, Chairs, modern Chesterfield suites, Silver Cabinets, glass top centre tables, Brunswick Gramophone, writing tables threemirror dressing tables, Almyrans, hat-stands, card tables, glass, crockery, silver and platedware, etc.

The property of C. Smart, Esq., of G. I. P. Railway and others.

Catalogues will be published and furniture on view from to-morrow.

BENNETT & CO.

VORA & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF FURNITURE of W. F. Phillips, Esquire and others TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY) at 3 P.M. (S.T.) at Gazdar House, Queens Road, Church Gate Reclamation, next to Eros Theatre, Fort, of complete Bungalow furniture, H. M. V. Gramophone, Ice Box, Remington Portable Typewriter, Chesterfield Sets, Hall carpets, Singer Machine, Remington Typewriter No. 12, Wardrobes, Dining table Chairs, Glassware, etc.

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INDIAN CHAIRMAN FOR PORT TRUST?

Mr. H. K. Kripalani Chief Secretary To Sind Govt., Appointed

Mr. H. K. Kripalani, I.C.S., Chief Secretary to the Government of Sind, will, it is understood, be the next Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust, succeeding Sir Gilbert Wiles who vacated the appointment to take over the Chief Secretaryship to the Government of Bombay

Mr Kripalani will be the first Indian to fill this important post. Before being appointed Commissioner, Mr. Kripalani had on two occasions held the position of Deputy Commissioner and once acted as Commissioner.

KHANDESH MILLS AND WAGE INCREASE

The Secretary, Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee, has issued the following through the "United Press":—

On behalf of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee I am enquiring into the situation created by the non-acceptance of the proposals of the Labour Enquiry Committee, in Khandesh Mills. So far I have reliably understood that the millowners in Khandesh Mills have informed the Government that they are reconsidering their decision and attempts are also being made to persuade them to accept the interim recommendations of the Labour Enquiry Committee immediately. Unless the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee finally learns about their decision, it would be premature for the workers to go on strike.

I, therefore, appeal both to the workers and Labour leaders to postpone the consideration of their contemplated strike from the 1st April, till the final reply is received. I have also to make an appeal to the millowners in Khandesh, that it would be inadvisable on their part not to accept these proposals, which have been already accepted and carried out by millowners in other parts of the province.—United Press.

Auction Notice.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA, Amritsar,.....:
Decree Holder

VERSUS.

WAZIR CHAND SALIG R. M AND HARI CHAND
of M/s Mool Chand & Sons, Peshawar, J. Ds.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that movable property of the firm M/s. Mool Chand & Sons of Peshawar, comprised of Persian Carpets, Embroidery Pieces, Furs and Skins, Art and Curios, Namdas, Woodwork articles, Antique China Ware, Brass Ware Vases, Pots, Plates Furniture, Skin Sewing Machine, Cotton and Silk Gowns and Garments, Umbrellas, Bedroom Slippers, Ladies Fur Coats, Postins, Show Cases, Stone Bangles, Neklace, Ivory Toys, Sandal Wood Toys, Typewriter, Ceiling Fan, Rugs, Shawls, Fire Extinguisher, etc., etc., will be sold by Public Auction by the undersigned from SATURDAY, the 16th April, 1938 to SATURDAY, 23 April, 1938, both days inclusive at the premises of the firm situated Outside Kabuli Gate, Peshawar. The sale hours will be 9 A. M. to 12.. and 3 P. M. to 5 P. M. The goods will remain open for inspection from the 14th April, 1938 to 16th April, 1938, every day from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Curios Merchants are specially invited.

TERMS OF AUCTION.

1. The goods will be sold to the highest bidder against cash payment to be made on the spot.
2. The goods will be sold separately or in lot at the direction of the undersigned.
3. The auction will be closed earlier if the stock is disposed off before the closing date.

Dated. 25th March, 1938.

A. H. NIAZI
Official Receiver,
PESHAWAR.

Tightening Clove Boycott In City

Stocks Of Mandvi Dealers Sealed

B. P. C. C. SENDS OUTSEVIKAS TO IMPLEMENT CONGRESS DECISION TO AID INDIANS IN ZANZIBAR

Mr. S. K. Patil, Secretary of the Clove Boycott Committee, has issued the following statement.

In spite of the efforts of the Clove Boycott Committee and the majority of clove dealers in the City, the boycott movement has not yet become so effective as to eliminate all chances of boot-legging. Some self-interested merchants in Bombay are still importing Zanzibar cloves through intermediate port like Marmagoa under this or that fictitious name and then trying to pass it on to other centres in India. These are most reprehensive tactics and they have got to be brought under effective control. It is the duty of every Congressman and woman and also of every nationally minded person to see that the clove boycott becomes so complete as to produce the desired effect on the Zanzibar Government.

In the absence of Government action the only weapon that we in Congress has got in its hands is to appeal to the millions of consumers in this country and also to the dealers in cloves to refrain from using the cloves or dealing in them in any form or manner. Congressmen in particular must do everything in their power to get the Congress decision implemented by one and all.

NO SWADESHI CLOVES.

We boycott all cloves. Since India does not produce any cloves there is no question of Swadeshi clove. Cloves are imported into this country from Zanzibar and Madagaskar and these are under a boycott. I have received information that certain dealers have been deceiving the buyers by telling them that the stock that they have is imported from countries and places other than Zanzibar and Madagaskar. This is a deception and we warn the public against this. Our boycott includes even what are called "false cloves," which are cloves of which essence is removed. It is very difficult for an ordinary buyer to distinguish between a "false cloves" and a "real cloves" and hence our boycott extends to all cloves, irrespective of the quality and the place of origin.

SEALING OF STOCK.

On Sunday last the Congress volunteers including Sevikas had a round of some of the commercial localities in Mandvi. We visited about 100 shops and wherever a stock of cloves was found it was sealed under the Congress seal with a guarantee from the dealer that the seal would not be broken without the permission of the Congress. From to-day we are sending a batch of Sevikas to various business localities in the City. These Sevikas will go from shop to shop and examine the stocks of cloves.

If the stock is not surrendered to the Congress or sealed in the presence of Sevikas, Congress will have no alternative but to start peaceful picketing of the shops.

We have prepared a pledge-form, which every clove dealer, wholesale or retailer, has to sign. I am glad to announce that almost all dealers have expressed their readiness to sign the pledge.

We once again earnestly appeal to all citizens to be propagandists of clove boycott in a real sense. As soon as any stock is detected anywhere, the fact should be immediately notified to the Congress House. This will enable us to send our volunteers to the places complained of. I am sure the citizens of Bombay will co-operate with the Congress with their usual willingness.

Flag Salutation In Harijan Area In Mandvi Ward

(From A Correspondent)

Mrs. Maniben Mulji hoisted the National Flag at Valpakhadi on Sunday morning and while addressing the gathering of workers explained the significance of Independence Struggle and the part the workers had to play in it. She congratulated the workers for always solidly standing behind the Congress and asked them to unite in their own organisations.

She urged upon the Harijans to the necessity of joining the Congress in their thousands.

Dr. Anklesaria and Mr. Panthaki said a few words on the significance of National Flag.

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Suburban Students' Union

The Secretary of the Suburban Students' Union, Mr. B. V. Raman, writes, in appreciation of the work of the Union, Mrs. Yamuna Hirlekar, M.A., says: "The B. P. S. Federation has decided to contribute their quota of service to the cause of mass education They propose to hold very soon a class to train some workers from amongst themselves, who will go to villages in the coming vacation

If the Students' movement in this direction is properly guided by responsible and experienced workers, as some are already engaged in the field, it is full of great promise.

This awakening amongst the student world and their desire to participate in the national movement of mass education is a welcome augury and deserves support, moral and financial from the public."

WHY RUSH INCOME-TAX BILL

Maharashtra Chamber's Plea For Eliciting Public Opinion

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. D. V. Kelkar, Secretary, Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, has addressed the following letter to the Secretary, Government of India, Finance Department:—

"I have the honour as directed by the Committee of this Chamber, to lodge a protest against Government's plan to hastily refer the Income-Tax Bill to the Select Committee without giving an opportunity to the general public and the commercial bodies in the country to express their views thereon, if Press reports to that effect be a correct indication of Government's attitude.

The Committee of this Chamber think that it is necessary to circulate such an important measure for eliciting public opinion thereon".

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Aga Khan Hockey

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Customs Enter Next Round

The Customs lived up to their new reputation, that, to win a match is the all-in-all, in tournament hockey. After taking the lead early in their Aga Khan Cup match against the B. B. & C. I. Railway on Tuesday, they adopted tactics that did not please the filled stands and which drew strictures from the umpires in charge, as two Customs' players were warned for play that was poor hockey. This was despite the fact that the umpiring was on the weak side, Mr. C. D'Souza was, particularly, faulty on this occasion in his control of the game. The B. B. and C. I. Railway lost by 2 clear goals. This is, certainly, a perfectly wrong index of the run of play. The losers were the better side and it was just tournament luck that kept them from promotion. The Railway displayed brilliant combination and worried the local team's defence badly. In speaking of the Custom's defence, one has to think of Abreu and the great game he played; time and again, he frustrated really good movements by the Railway forwards and never was flustered. If only Abreu could give up the habit of deliberately hitting into a player approaching from the opposite side, which certainly appears that he is desirous of robbing his opponents of a man. No other Custom's player was prominent as the Railway had them well marked.

The losers were a well balanced side and played with perfect understanding. Hogan, the old man of the Railway team, was always prominent, and at right-wing played untiring, correct and fast hockey. Two defaulters in the Railway team were, Laudrick, who kept the ball too long to himself and lost it often at a time when he could have put others, favourably placed, in possession. The second player was Bartlett, left-wing, who could not pick up several nice passes sent out to him.

THE GAME.

The Railway attacked from the bully-off. Then the Customs set a hot pace and carried the Railway off their feet. This attacking resulted in Pinto beating Leach in the sixth minute, after bringing off a fine run through. For a short spell the Customs continued to attack. The Railway then got going. A break-away was held up, Bartlett, the left-wing, being offside. Another raid saw the ball sent out to Dean, who just failed to reach it. The Customs transferred play, Alexander took the ball from Pinto and cleared. They returned to the Railway area, an infringement, however, stopped them. Wegwermer hit well up. A foul by a Custom's player just outside the 'home' 'D' allowed the Railway a free-hit. Dean in the semi-circle missed a good opening. The Railwaymen were continuously dangerous now. At times their correct passing was on the weak side, and led to the ball being robbed by an opposing defender. Dean made amends for his earlier mistake when he well beat Lynn in the Custom's goal. To the surprise of all a true goal was disallowed by Mr. C. D'Souza.

The Customs were responsible now for a dangerous raid. Leach, here, saved two difficult shots from Pinto. Dean might have put the teams on terms, had he been allowed to run through. Mr. D'Souza, however, held him off-side when both Custom's backs were nearer their goal than the player in possession. They were, no doubt badly placed for intercepting Dean. A long corner to the Railway bore no fruit. The break arrived with the Customs doing their best to keep their advantage.

On resuming the Railway were immediately dangerous, Abreu broke up a nice forward movement. After Bartlett had lost a nice pass, Abreu was in the picture again, and he stopped the Railway forwards just as they were entering the Custom's goal area with some nice passing, that had beaten all other opposition. The Railwaymen were enjoining more of the game now, but 'Dame Fortune' refused to smile on them. A corner was awarded to the Railway; Nelson made a faulty stop. Pressure was maintained, and. Bartlett getting possession tested Lynn, in the Custom's goal, with a weak shot, which the latter easily saved. It was half-way through the later period, that the Customs for the first time visited the Railway goal-area. The losers were for this period of the second half continually worrying the Customs. The winners could not maintain pressure, and Abreu saved his side twice. These three scoring chances were foiled in the course of a few minutes. The Customs now had practically their entire side defending. One of the umpires at this juncture had occasion to warn one of the Custom's forwards. Another corner to the Railway brought them no advantage. Laudrick was spoiling things for the Railway at times, by keeping the ball too long, when he should have passed. The Custom's goal had two narrow escapes, and Page was unfortunate to miss the equaliser. Custom's visited the Railway goal and a corner was awarded to them. Feroz Khan missed a sitter. The Railway were on top again. Laudrick sent in a smashing shot and must have been chagrined to see the ball graze the left upright on the wrong side. Customs, who had been playing rough hockey for some time, saw Jagat Singh warned by the umpire. The exchanges were level in the last five minutes and Leach saved a nice, shot from Sweeny, the Custom's right-wing. Two minutes before time, Feroze Khan gave the Customs a second point. The game closed at this score.

THE RESULT.

CUSTOMS 2 Goals.
B. B. & C. I. Nil.

THE TEAMS.

CUSTOMS:—Lynn; Abreu and Aslam Digue, Brewin and Husnain; Sweeney, Afzal, Feroze Khan, Pinto and Jagat Singh.

B. B. & C. I.:—Leach; Wegwermer and Alexander; Nelson, Page and Boezett; Hogan Dean, Foot, Laudrick and Bartlett.

UMPIRES: Messrs Mackenzie and C. D'Souza.

To-day's Game

Kirkee Ordinance vs. City Police at 5-30 p.m.

CYCLING ROUND WORLD

Indian Youth Plans A Seven-year Adventure

An interesting visitor to Bombay is Mr. Tara Singh Sachder, a Punjabi youth, who is going round the world on a bicycle.

Impelled by a thirst for adventure, Mr. Sachder resigned from the Indian army and started on his present enterprise about five months ago. He has so far covered about three thousand miles and toured through N.W.F. Province, Punjab, U.P., Central Provinces, Bhopal etc. He is now in Bombay and from here would be leaving for Ceylon via Madras. Then he proposes to travel back to the Frontier and leave India via the Khyber pass. It would take him seven years to complete his world tour after which he intends writing a book.

To pay his way, he sells photographs and lectures in schools and clubs. He takes autographs of prominent people he meets and collects old coins and stamps.

Asked if he had any unusual adventures 'en route' he related how while touring in the tribal territory he was held up by two tribesmen. They took him to their headman who, on learning that he was a tourist, not only set him free but also entertained him most lavishly and wished him all the luck in his adventure.

Law Minister And Special C. I. D.

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:—

Reporting the Hon'ble Home Minister's speech in reply to a motion for a cut in the Supplementary Demand under Police on Monday afternoon, some newspapers state that the Hon. Mr. Munshi said that on enquiry he found that the C.I.D. officers numbered in all 17 and that, therefore, there could not be sufficient number of such officers to shadow the so-called suspects in the places mentioned. This is not correct. What the Hon. Minister said was that according to the complaints received by him from several gentlemen the total number of C.I.D. officers shadowing 'suspects' or individuals would at least be 17. Neither Sholapur nor even perhaps Maharashtra had so many special officers of the C.I.D. to be detailed on such work

WATCH
ROYAL OPERA HOUSE
ON FRIDAY: 1ST APRIL for HUN'S PICTURES'
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FALL IN MEMBERSHIP

Royal Asiatic Society's Bombay Branch Shows Deficit

The need of devising ways and means for the improvement of the financial condition of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society was stressed at the Society held on Tuesday evening annual general meeting of the

The annual report of the Society for 1937, among other things stated that the year under review had been marked by another fall in membership. This, according to the report, was a serious matter. There was a deficit of Rs. 3,320 for the year, and the report stated that the Society had reached a critical stage as it was now necessary to draw upon the accumulated balances by the various funds to the extent of Rs. 892 to meet the current expenses of the year.

The Hon. Sir John Beaumont, who presided remarked that something must be done to improve the finances of the Society. It was necessary that a wider appeal should be made to the public and the members must induce their friends to become members of the Society.

Principal Mackenzie opined that as the Society fulfilled a considerable part of the functions of the British Museum in India, an earnest appeal for funds should be made to the public and to the Government. The Society, he said played a great part in the cultural life of India.

Mr. F. Low reminded those present about the recommendations of the Sub-Committee of the Society.

Various suggestions for the improvement of the finances of the Society were put forward by several members.

Arter the adoption of the report, the meeting elected the Committee of Management for the ensuing year.

Sir John Beaumont was elected President.

FINE DISPLAY OF PHYSICAL CULTURE

Performance Given By Bombay Gymnastic Institute

A fine display of physical feats was given by Prof. D. M. Kalyanpurker of the Bombay Gymnastic Institute and his amateur troune at the Kamgar Maidan, Parel on Sunday under the presidentship of Sir Chunilal V. Mehta. The programme included feats of both Western and Eastern methods of physical culture The public were further feasted by series of thrilling performances like Pyramids on three chimney Malkhambs, Chair Balancing, Chair Pyramids Sword and Madoo Fight, Block Balancing, Ball Working, Parallel Bars, Lezim, Wrestling, Bottle Rolling, Pole Balancing Malkham-Ordinary, Hanging, Cane, Anter Pakkad, Muscle Control, Niranjan, Tumbling Tricks etc., Lezim Drill, Indian Clubs Drill, Dumb-bells Drill

One of the feats of strength of the programme was shown when Mr. Kalyanpurker, lying on his back on a bed of spikes, coolly underwent the long ordeal of a stout iron bar (1¼ inch) being cut clean into two over his chest—a process which involved the delivery of no fewer than 200 powerful hammer strokes. The display was not suggestive of mere strength, but also of great stamina, pluck, agility and grace of movement.

Sir Chunilal V. Mehta, who presided on the occasion, complimented Mr. Kalyanpurker, the proprietor of the Institute not only for the interesting and instructive entertainment that was given by his colleagues but also for his valuable contribution to the cause of physical culture which he said was an important part of the greater cause of national regeneration.

The function terminated after distribution of prizes.

Y. M. P. A. To Invite Bombay Ministers

Mr. D. N. Dastur, Social Secretary of the Young Men's Parsi Association writes:

The Y.M.P.A. has decided to give a reception to the members of the Bombay Ministry. In this connection Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher the Premier, has promised to give a date for the function after consulting his colleagues.

STABBED MAN; THEN ABSCONDED?

Shekhan Ahmedkhan was arrested by the Nagpada Police yesterday on a charge of stabbing a man.

The police stated that while the complainant was speaking to a woman at Falkland Road, the accused came along quietly and stabbed the complainant on the left side. The accused, it is stated, was absconding till yesterday.

He was put up before the Magistrate at the Mazagaon Court, and was ordered to be remanded into police custody till April 12.

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AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay Coroner's Jury returned a verdict of accidental death, to-day, at the inquest on the body of Anandibai Krishna (60), who was knocked down by a motor lorry at the western footpath of Tilak Bridge, Dadar, yesterday, while crossing the road.

A verdict of suicide was passed by the Bombay Coroner's jury today, at the inquest on Dhagubai Dhagru (30), who died of opium-poisoning in the K.E.M. Hospital on March 15.

It was stated that the woman had been suffering from abdominal complaint for the last two years.

Head Clerk Arrested

Hansraj Goverdhandas, head clerk of Messrs. Ramdas Khimji Bros., was arrested last evening by Bombay C. I. D. on a complaint of criminal breach of trust as a servant in respect of Rs. 30,879.

The Magistrate directed the accused to be released on a bail of Rs. 20,000 with one surety, the surety to deposit Rs. 5,000.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST COOK

Lawrence Nagara, a cook, was arrested yesterday by the police on a charge of poisoning an ayah.

The accused was placed to-day before the Chief Presidency Magistrate and ordered to be released on bail.

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LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Fagan Vad 14, 1994
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Hightide: 11-04; 23-21
Lowtide: 4-55; 16-59
Sunrise: 6h. 35m.
Sunset: 6h. 52m.

Municipal Standing Committee, 3-40 p.m.

King George V Infirmary and the Lady Dhunbai Jehangir Home for the Destitute: Opening by H.E. the Governor, Haines Road, 5-30 p.m.

Indian and European Progressive Groups: Prof. P. A Wadia will speak on "University Reform". Green's Hotel, 6-30 p.m.

Thursday, March 31.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

Saturday, April 2.

S. S. Viceroy of India with mails for London sails at 1 p.m.

THE UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS

A Question and Answer Meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday) evening at 6-15 at Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain.

ART SOCIETY OF INDIA

Under the auspices of the Art Society of India there will be a public lecture on "Fine Art Education in the Presidency" by Mr. N. M. Kelkar, B.A. to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. at the Society's Hall, Sandhurst House, Sandhurst Bridge, Bombay.

BLAVATSKY LODGE

Under the auspices of the Blavatsky Lodge, Theosophical Society Dr. I. J. S. Taraporevala will conduct Gatha Class at the Theosophical Society, Blavatsky Lodge Hall, French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Wednesday) the 30th inst. at 6-15 p.m. (S.T.)

LATE MR. MOOLJI SICKA

The Managing Committee of the Young Men's Hindu Association at its meeting held on the 23rd inst passed a resolution recording a deep sense of sorrow at the sad and untimely death of Seth Moolji Sicka, a life member of the Association and sympathising with the family of the deceased.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION

Under the auspices of the above Union, Lala Mangal Singha of Frontier, of Khudai Khidamatgar will give a lantern lecture on "Hindu-Muslim Unity" and "The Fakir of Ipi", on Friday the 1st April at 8-45 p.m. in the Promenade Circle, 11th Road Khar.

INDIAN INDUSTRIES FAIR

I. I. Fair authorities write:—
In the Swadeshi Exhibition the Lucky Number Scheme began from Tuesday. Daily five gifts the half portion of the gate entrance ticket may bear one of those five lucky numbers. The result will be put up daily 5 p.m. on a board near the office and Ladies Waiting Room.

SUBURBAN DIST. LOCAL BOARD

The Jt. Hon. Secretary, the Bombay Suburban Dist. Congress Committee writes:—
The final list of voters to the District Local Board, will be published on the 2nd April, so the last date for submitting the Congress Application Forms, is extended from the 31st April to the 4th May. Prospective candidates are requested to send their duly filled up forms, with Rs. 10, to Sjt. D. N. Wandrekar, member of the Selection Board, opposite Lakshmi Nagar Pavilion, 10th Road, Khar.

Y. M. H. A.

The New Year Day will be celebrated in the premises of the above Association, Vithalbhai Patel Road, on Friday, 1st April, at 6-30 p.m. when Mallavidya Visharada Govind Sakharam Mali will give a demonstration of his physical Culture feats, and after that His Holiness Shri Shankaracharya Dr. Kurtakoti will deliver a public lecture.

BOMBAY PRARTHANA SAMAJ

In connection with the 71st anniversary of the Bombay Prarthana Samaj, Prof. Sadashiv Aiyar, M. A. will deliver an address on "Some aspects of Browning's Religious Thought" to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. in the Prarthana Mandir, Girgaum.

EUROPEAN PROGRESSIVE GROUP

Prof. P. A. Wadia, M.A. will address the Indian and European progressive groups on "University Reform" to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. on the first floor of Green's Hotel.

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BROADWAY—"Maid of Salem" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Alcatraz Island". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Kunku". Daily at 5, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
EROS—"Public Enemy's Wife" To-day at 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Smash and Grab". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Ushne Kya Socha". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"The Unexpected". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Lutaroo Laina". Daily at 5, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Kanhopatra". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Mitha Zahar". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Chandrarao More". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Breakfast For Two". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Lancer Spy". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Khoodaj Khidmadgar". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
WELLINGTON—"Gay Divorce". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"300 Days and After". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

POSTAL NOTICES

Regd. and unregd. Packet Mails only (i.e. other than letters and postcards) for Straits Settlements and all Mails for Colombo, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan per S.S. "Corfu" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 5 and 5-30 p.m. respectively on Thursday the 31st instant.

As the Fast Gulf Mail Steamer s.s. 'Vasna' is now due to sail on 31-3-38 after the arrival of English Mail Steamer s.s. 'Viceroy of India' which is expected to arrive in Bombay on 31-3-38 at 12 noon the following will be the latest hour of posting of correspondence and parcels at the Bombay G.P.O. for the offices in Iraq, Iran and Persian Gulf.

Unregd. correspondence upto 1 p.m. on 31-3-38.

Registered correspondence upto 12-30 p.m. on 31-3-38

Parcels correspondence upto 10 a.m. on 31-3-38

The latest hour of posting in the Town Sub Offices will be notified by those offices, and it will be so regulated as to ensure the receipt of the postings in the Bombay G.P.O. in time to be included in the last despatch from that office.

Superscribed unregistered Mails for Italy and Austria per s.s. "Conte Biancamano" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 6-30 p.m. on Thursday the 31st instant.

'G' Ward Plans For National Week

A meeting of the Council of Management of 'G' Ward District Congress Committee was held on the 27th inst. when Sjt. Ishwarbhai S. Patel presided, the meeting inter-alia transacted the following business.

SUB-COMMITTEES

The Council formed various sub-committees including Sub-Committees for (1) Labour, (2) Volunteers, (3) Khadi and Swadeshi, (4) Prohibition, (5) Propaganda, removal of untouchability and publicity and (6) Hindi Prachar.

The Council also decided to celebrate the ensuing National Week from 6th to 13th of April by holding open meetings, street corner meetings, selling Khadi, enrolling members, Selling National Flags etc.

"SHUTTLE" SERVICES VERSUS 'BUSES

Railways And Road Competition

Small trains running at frequent intervals between neighbouring towns are being introduced by the Great Peninsula Railway in various districts in order to combat competition from motor 'bus services.

These are known as "Shuttle" services, the trains running backwards and forwards between two centres. Their success has already been proved in a number of cases.

With effect from April 1, the Great Indian Peninsula Railway will be running additional shuttle services between the following points at fast timings, the overall speed varying from 29 to 37 miles per hour:—

Kotah to Baran, Manikpur to Banda, Amraoti to Akola, Bhopal to Sehore, Nagpur to Amla, Gwalior to Agra City, Nagpur to Wardha and Hinganghat, and Manmad to Igatpuri.

It is also proposed to re-open the closed stations Digod and Bijora on the Kotah-Baran section and Biragarn on the Bhopal-Sehore section as halt stations for trains.

CAWNPORE.—In order to place before the Premier of U.P., cases of some alleged victimisation of mill hands by the mill-owners of Cawnpore, the Majdoor Sabha is planning to lead a competent deputation to Lucknow.

The late Sir Harcourt Butler left £22,000.—Reuter.

INDIA'S CULTURAL AMBASSADOR

Farewell To Swami Vishwanand

To wish 'bon voyage' to Swami Viswanand of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, on the eve of his departure to North America as a "cultural ambassador of India", his friends and admirers foregathered at Cama Institute, on Tuesday evening.

Madame Sophia Wadia who presided over the function said that India had a great mission of

Swami Vishwanand

bringing together all races, classes and creeds and men and women of various conditions together.

She suggested an exchange of cultural ambassadors between the countries of the East and the West—ambassadors free from political interest, religious prejudices and material or business considerations and exemplifying the religious tolerance that was the characteristic of the Indians.

The only sad aspect following the announcement of the departure of Swami Viswanand was that they were losing his sincere co-operation and his labour of love.

Mr. F. J. Ginwalla said that Swami Viswanand would be carrying on in the West the work of Swami Vivekanand and Swami Shivanand. The message of India to the Western nations was only one of religion for, religion, after all, was nothing but realisation.

Mr. Jetharam Kapadia on behalf of the residents of Borivli said that work done by Swami Viswanand for the last 14 years should never be forgotten.

Prof. Bhagwat thought that the Kingdom of Love would be ultimately established in the world, although there might be evidences of the exercise of political power in certain parts.

The gathering reminded, said Mr. Mowji Govindji who spoke next, of the occasions, within the memory of history, when monks and nuns were sent out of India on cultural missions. In Bombay, he added, there were mostly commercial missions and although America was also a land of the dollars, he hoped Swami Viswanand would only go to the land of Emerson and Longfellow.

Swami Viswanand in his parting message said that it was not without regret that he was leaving his motherland. He appealed to them to keep their ideals clean and hoped that India would march forward and forward. The Ramakrishna Mission, he said, was actuated with the desire of seeing that all religions worked harmoniously.

He welcomed all the Europeans who were present on the occasion and felt extremely glad to see the Italian consul. To the rest he gave a message of cheer.

Mr. SULTAN CHINOY'S DINNER PARTY

A Distinguished Gathering

Mr. Sultan Chinoy, Chairman, Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, gave a big dinner party at his residence, "Dilbahar" Carmichael Road, Cumballa Hill, on Tuesday. There was present a distinguished gathering, including members of the Corporation, heads of various departments of the municipality and several prominent citizens. Usually the retiring chairman of the Standing Committee gives a dinner party to his colleagues, past chairmen and municipal officials. But this year both Mr. Chinoy and Mr. Behram Karanjia Chairman of the Improvements Committee, set a precedent of inviting all members of the Corporation and other prominent citizens.

Premier Kher And Others Pay Tribute To Ramakrishna Mission

A meeting of the residents of Khar was held on last Sunday night at Laxmi Nagar Pavilion to give a send off to Swami Vishwananda, President of the Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, who is proceeding to America. Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, presided. Messrs. K. Nataranjan, J. K. Mehta, F. J. Ginwala, Seth Mawji Govindji and Prof. V. G. Rao were the speakers. They paid eloquent tribute to the philanthropic and selfless work the Ramakrishna Mission is doing for suffering humanity. The Bombay Ashram was started in 1923 and all of them were so closely connected with its activities from the very inception.

The Hon. Mr. Kher in his speech remarked that he knew Swami Vishwanandji for more than ten years and had the privilege of serving the institution as a member of its Committee for many years under the advice of the Swamiji. Now Swamiji was going to Chicago, the place where the greatness of India was proclaimed by the Great Swami Vivekananda at the time of Parliament of Religions in 1893 and it was for Swami Vishwanandji to work out those ideas there, and he wished the Swamiji all happiness and encouragement in his mission to U. S. A. to which place he will carry their best wishes and love.

Swami Wishwananda in reply feelingly thanked all his friends of Khar and Santa Cruz and assured that he would remember the residents of the Bombay Suburbs throughout his life, as all of them had endeared themselves to him so closely during his long stay of 15 years in Khar. He first wanted to go away quietly, but as his friends in the Suburbs were so loving, he could not but accept this honour. He thanked them again for their kindness. With a vote of thanks to the Chair proposed by Mr. N. B. Abuvala, the meeting terminated.

CHILDREN'S FAREWELL

The children of Khar gave a farewell entertainment to Swami Vishwananda on Saturday evening with a drama. The musical pieces mainly selected by the children.

The function ended with benediction from the Swamiji, singing of "Vande Mataram" and distribution of sweets.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN.)

With the growth of Communications and other developments in the suburbs the need is now felt for closer co-operation between Local Boards and Municipalities.

The proposed joint outlet for drainage made last year by the Kurla-Bandra Municipality is a very instructive example of co-ordinated effort.

With the presentday development there are many such spheres when such co-operative efforts could be made to be of great benefit of the general public.

For instance, suburban roads, only on account of separate charge these roads, in some of the areas, are left in a very deplorable condition. As an example the fate that the Versova Road suffered in the past could be cited. This was the result of divided control and lack of co-ordination.

The next question where co-operation is essential is the drainage scheme proposed by most of our suburban Municipalities.

Suburban Municipalities and the Local Board must co-operate in such a way that municipal officials of one municipality could be transferred to another municipality in order that all the undesired situations could be cleared.

PRIMARY TEACHERS' EXAMINATION

Parle is making great headway these days. The present Municipal Board as a very active body, tackling every possible problem they are faced with.

Saturday's meeting of the Board dealt with a question that in time to come should be responsible for the educational uplift of the place.

The present worry of the school Board is the absence of a qualifying examination for teachers of primary schools. This is the outcome of the Educational Inspector's report, Bombay Division, on the low percentage of trained teachers in these schools throughout suburban area.

After considerable discussion by the School Board, Mr. Shantaram Patil, the Chairman, suggested that the situation could be met by the appointment of a board to examine the teachers at present employed and to weed out those who were found unfit.

This decision was not agreed to by the Board and aroused a lot of discussion until the chairman made his final recommendations after examining the matter very closely.

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IRRESPONSIBLE CHARGES

The supplementary demand made in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on Monday for Rs. 73,000, spent for the repairs of a road leading to the Congress Nagar at Haripura, was the occasion for a most exciting debate in which the merits of the question proper were lightly ignored and anti-Congress prejudice was demonstrated as it had never been before. Government were accused of "nepotism of the worst kind," irresponsibility, callous disregard of Minorities and what not, the charges and the way they were hurled being obviously designed to break the Congress majority. The Opposition was "as one man," said the various Opposition leaders. But when the Opposition cut motion was put to the vote it was lost by a large majority of 78 votes against 43, the majority obviously including a pretty large number of non-Congressmen. Those who sought to discredit the Congress only discredited themselves.

Expenditure Justified

If the demand were considered dispassionately, it would have been granted almost unanimously with but slight discussion. Every civilised Government has followed the practice of taking special measures regarding transport communication, lighting etc. for the safety and minimum convenience of huge crowds of citizens assembled even temporarily for a lawful activity, as, for instance, at important fairs and centres of pilgrimage. Even the old Government of Bombay felt constrained to spend Rs. 12,000 for the Faizpur session of the Congress. They would have spent a great deal more if they were a responsible Government. In the present case the need was larger, about five lakhs of people suddenly assembling and having to disperse as suddenly. Mr. Nurie truly said that any Government worthy of its name was bound to incur the expenditure, much of which, as he added, would be returned to the provincial revenues in the shape of part of petrol duty. Besides, as he pertinently asked, if they could afford to spend Rs. 50,000 per mile for the Marine drive in Bombay, were not the villagers entitled to a road that cost Rs. 2,000 a mile? As Mr. Morarji Desai pointed out, about 2,000 passengers were brought to Madhi on certain days every 15 minutes, and if this traffic were not promptly diverted to Haripura along a properly constructed road, accidents would have taken place every few minutes. Yet Government did not construct a new road for the purpose, all the new roads having been constructed by the Congress itself. Government only repaired an existing road so as to avoid accidents. It would have been cruel not to do that, whatever might be the occasion for the presence of such huge crowds. Most certainly would Government have acted likewise if any other political body had organised similar conferences. In these circumstances to accuse Government of nepotism is the height of irresponsibility. Congress which can collect lakhs of rupees for its work and commands the willing loyalty of lakhs of people does not need the aid of nepotism. Even the Baroda Government, as pointed out by Mr. Munshi, have spent certain sums on road repairs, specially for the convenience of visitors to Haripura. But by no stretch of imagination could they be accused of nepotism. Finally, let it never be imagined that Congress is a small party that seeks to benefit only itself. Recent history has shown that Congress represents the nation and through its service of the five lakhs at Haripura it is serving millions in the country.

The Aim Of The Congress

Irresponsible and reprehensible as was the attack of the Opposition in this matter, opposition as a body in a democratic Government is a serviceable institution. This needs to be emphasised in view of the grave warnings issued by Mr. Morarji Desai and Mr. Munshi. Mr. Desai said: "If the Opposition deliberately goes on misrepresenting this side, "in spite of all our efforts not to lose patience, we may fall a prey to human weakness, and then differences will arise." Mr. Munshi stated more explicitly that if the Opposition assumed an air of superiority or hurled insults at the Treasury benches, the result would be that "we will learn to disregard, entirely, the opinion of the Opposition to show that we are one party in the House as we are outside." It would be wiser and more dignified always to judge the opinion of the Opposition on its own merits, even if at times it may be necessary to dismiss it with the contempt it may deserve. Human weakness takes various shapes and one such is the liability of the best of Congressmen to err. And when Congress Ministers err, even the fault-finding disposition of the Opposition may sometimes be useful. We know that the patience of Congress Ministers is often sorely tried. Yet it is desirable for them to maintain it studiously as also the soft word that turns away wrath. Apart from this, it cannot be too often or too strongly emphasized that the object of the Congress is to establish a truly democratic Government in this country—a Government that will not rely merely on the strength and goodwill of the majority however overwhelming it might be, but also on the esteem and confidence of all minorities however small and insignificant they might be. The minorities may act perversely and may most maliciously misrepresent the intentions of the Congress. But the Congress as the custodian of the rights of all citizens, not a majority of citizens, will constantly endeavour to win them over by its disinterested service as well as its uncompromising adherence to the basic principles of democracy. The recent tendency among some Congressmen to refer too often to the majority behind them is not in consonance with the true ideals of the Congress. Let them not forget that the parliamentary Government we have in this country is only a mockery and that we have still to win "Purna Swaraj" and that it will be won by the Congress as the representative of the entire nation. Those of our fellow-countrymen, who are misguided enough to oppose the Congress and to misrepresent it, have to be won over by the exercise of more than ordinary tact and good humour. They are doing a great disservice to the country in hampering the Congress, but it is the aim of the Congress to justify its ways even to its misguided opponents by serving them and thus turn them into its staunchest adherents.

U. S. A. And Silver

As a result of a serious dispute over the expropriation of foreign oil companies in Mexico, the U.S.A. Government has abrogated, as from April 1st, the agreement to buy Mexican silver. With a view to stabilising Mexican currency the U.S.A. Government had entered into agreement to buy every month silver mined in Mexico. It has such silver purchasing agreements with Canada and China also. Mexico's production in 1937 amounted to 88,000,000 ozs. and when the agreement was first entered into with U.S.A., a deal of 35,000 bars was done. Since then the U.S.A. Government has been buying Mexican silver every month at fixed prices. It appears that the strong Socialist Government, which is now in power in Mexico, is taking definite and drastic steps to safeguard Mexican interests by taking over proprietary rights of foreign oil companies. Both Britain and the U.S.A. have large interests in the oil wells and, now when the Mexican Government has taken action against foreign interests, the U.S.A. Government in turn has decided to stop Mexican silver purchase.

Mr. Morganthau, Secretary to the U.S.A. treasury, has issued a statement declaring that, in view of the United States Government's decision to re-examine certain of its financial and commercial relationships with Mexico, the Treasury will defer continuation of the monthly silver purchase arrangements with Mexico until further notice. This appears to be a purely political move and if the U.S.A. Government does not buy Mexican silver direct, it is feared that the Mexican Government will have to sell in the London market. But in London, silver prices are regulated by the U.S.A. Treasury buying policy. The position thus is that either the U.S.A. Government will have to revise the whole policy as regards prices or buy Mexican silver through the London market.

When this news was received in Bombay our market collapsed on extensive nervous selling and spot silver prices declined to Rs. 48. Even London spot silver declined 3|4d. to 19-5|8d and Montreal Silver prices lost 150 points to 43.50 for March option. New York spot silver price which was stationary at 44 3|4 cents for the last six months was also reduced by one cent to 43-3|4 cents. at the moment the outlook is uncertain. The solution lies in a clear understanding regarding the oil companies. In the mean time the U.S.A. Government has to decide about its silver buying policy as Mexican silver will be offered through London. And since the U.S.A. Government is committed to buying silver under the Silver Purchase Act it remains to be seen whether the price will be allowed to sag. In the meantime there will be considerable nervousness in world silver markets as speculators have withdrawn their support; and as soon as short interest is covered there will be no buyer of the white metal except the U.S.A. treasury, on whose decision the fate of silver price depends.

PROBLEMS OF OUR FISHING

What's Wanted Is Distributional Organization, Not Master Fisherman

(BY "AQUATICUS".)

In a speech addressed to local fishermen recently, the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher made a reference to some of the problems of fishing and the measures Government would appear to have under consideration with a view to stimulate development of the industry and improve conditions generally in a manner favourable to such development in the near future. The Bombay Premier's interest in the fisheries of the province is certainly admirable and it would be interesting to touch on some of the most important aspects of what can be described as our special problem of fisheries in this little article before a too enthusiastic view is taken of the scheme of importation of "master fisherman" envisaged in the speech under notice.

Wrong Approach

To begin with, it is necessary to inquire whether, in the conditions obtaining in the province of production and marketing of fish, the problem of improved technique is as urgent or necessary as that of better system of distribution. Even if improvement in the present-day methods of fish-production were introduced with certainly disproportionate and ordinarily inexcusable expenditure involved in the latest "scheme," there is every possibility of the history of the Government's essay in power-fishing repeating itself once again so long as the bases of the economy of the industry are not considered adequately in formulat-

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LANCASHIRE'S GREED

It is a most fantastic suggestion that the Bombay Textile Labour Committee's report in favour of a rise in textile wages supports Lancashire's claim for a reduction in the duty on British textiles. Yet that very suggestion has been made by a responsible "Liberal" paper like the "Manchester Guardian." It only shows that in exploiting India all parties in Britain are one. The paper contends that the Bombay Committee's recommendation is "evidence of the flourishing state of the Indian industry" and suggests to the British Government "now negotiating a new Trade Agreement with India" that "the case for large concessions to Lancashire cotton goods is much strengthened." The suggestion is superfluous to the British Government or their Agent in India. But the Indian Legislature will never agree to deal a blow to the Indian industry by giving further concessions to Lancashire. In so far as the industry is prosperous, its benefit must go to the workers who toil for its prosperity and not to a dangerous foreign competitor that seeks to end it. And one of the main reasons why the Indian textile industry needs protection against Lancashire as well as Japan is that it may be able to pay a decent living wage to the workers and provide other amenities like old age and sickness insurance which workers in England and other countries enjoy. The comparative prosperity of the Indian industry, therefore, is a ground not for less protection but for more.

MUSLIM LEAGUE WITH THE LID OFF

Are Mr. Jinnah And His Colleagues Prepared To Join In Anti-Imperialistic Campaign?

(By Aziz Hooseinbhoy Lalljee)

The recent politics of the Muslim League have demonstrated a remarkable dearth of statesmanship from which its bourgeois leadership suffers. The short-sighted policy, which is has been following, is injurious to the Muslim community as much as to the country. It is idle for Mr. Jinnah and his friends to urge that the League is a Nationalist and a Progressive body. It has passed a resolution changing its creed to independence, but there is little doubt that there has not been any attempt on the part of the leaders of the League to translate this into practice. Only a short time after the Lucknow session we find the Bombay Muslim League Party opposing the proposal to abolish honours and titles. Can such an attitude be consistent with the spirit of the Independence resolution? Moreover, is a resolution of independence consistent with a pact with the Unionist party in the Punjab who are manifestly the supporters of Imperialism? Could such a resolution have much meaning when passed by a body which is led by vested interests, knights and Khan Bahadurs? It would be against the grain of such "leaders" seriously to contemplate an anti-imperialistic objective. We want from the League and Mr. Jinnah more tangible evidence of this change in the mentality since the passing of these paper resolutions. On the other hand, every act and every speech of Mr. Jinnah and his followers show that they have befriended more than ever the imperialist forces in order to fight their common opponent—the Indian National Congress. The Muslim League practically lives and thrives on Anglo-Indian Press in all parts of the country and the latter would not support the League if it took their resolutions of independence at their face value. I think it was Mr John Bright who said that when "The Times" commented favourably and approved of his actions, he felt that there was something wrong. The same should apply to the Muslim League and the Anglo-Indian Press. This is, indeed, the acid test of the 'bona fides' of the League leaders: Are they prepared to join in the campaign against Imperialism openly and forfeit in the bargain the publicity which they receive from the Anglo-Indian journals?

The Question Of "Dal-Bhat"

Mr. Jinnah's view on the basic questions of unemployment and poverty lends colour to the view that the League is a body of the vested interests and has no justification to say that it represents the Muslim masses. He has brushed aside the question of 'Dal-Bhat' as being irrelevant and unimportant. According to him, it has been trotted out by the Congress to side-track the question of communal rights and to wean the Muslims as though through a back door, into the Congress ranks. The whole line of argument is simply grotesque and ridiculous and shows the hard-boiled capitalist mentality behind it. Does Mr. Jinnah sincerely think that the masses would not be seriously interested to solve their 'Dal Bhat' question? Does he think that the Hindu and Muslim masses think more of their red caps and dhoties than the material questions of life—how their standard of life can be improved, their children educated and they can find access to reasonable amenities of life? Indeed, in the case of the Mussalman and the Depressed Classes, who are relatively poorer throughout the country, the question of 'Dal-Bhat' is even more acute. All this talk of "Muslims being made slaves of Hindus" and "crushed out of existence" is pure piffle. It is only a desire to mislead and exploit the illiteracy of the people which can be responsible for such absurd arguments.

Cry Of "Religion In Danger"

May I, however, ask why all of a sudden Mr. Jinnah and his League have taken up the cry of "religion in danger?" Is it that they woke up to the knowledge of their insecurity so late in the day? The real answer cannot be obscured. Islam in India was never and is not and will not be in danger. The cry was taken up as a counterblast to the Muslim mass contact movement of the Congress. As a shrewd and experienced politician, Mr. Jinnah could see that this move on the part of the Congress would wipe out the League completely as the Liberals were wiped out in the past. He made a heroic effort, undoubtedly, at a tremendous sacrifice of principles, to bring all the reactionary and anti-Congress forces amongst the Mussalmans on the platform. As far as the

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

FRANCO'S VICTORIES

General Franco's victorious advance continues and the Republicans will be able successfully to check it only by a sheer miracle. Once they did achieve such a miracle when they stopped this creature of International Fascism and his mercenaries literally at the very gates of Madrid. But miracles, we are afraid, do not necessarily repeat themselves particularly in the present circumstances. The Republicans may not be demoralised but they are undoubtedly downhearted, thanks both to the baseness shown towards them by the so-called Democratic Powers and to the despicable surrender to International Fascism by these Powers elsewhere. Moreover Signor Mussolini has sent more troops and material to help the rebels with a justified sense of impunity. The result is what we are witnessing. And yet, despite all this, British statesmen have the hardihood to say that "non-intervention" is the best policy. Indeed British statesmanship has fallen to such low depths that it even deliberately denies open threats by rebel spokesmen to Gibraltar itself.

CHINESE VICTORY

A message to General Chiang-kai-Shek from the Commander-in-Chief at the Tsinpu Front says that Japanese forces on the Tientsin Pukow Railway Front have been compleetely routed by Chinese forces who are now advancing along all fronts, the Japanese retreating in confusion. This is gratifying news. And although it will be obviously wrong to assume on the basis of this success that the tide in the Sino-Japanese war has now turned finally and that Japanese collapse has definitely begun, the Chinese victories can be safely interpreted to mean that China has now got the measure of Japanese strength. This is in itself a great gain. China possesses an inexhaustible amount of endurance and time is on her side. With these assets final victory is hers provided her determination to stand united against the invader continues. The collapse of the Chinese dollar will certainly cause a great deal of misery and economic chaos. But then there is no nation which can withstand hardships, however terrible, as cheerfully and successfully as the Chinese.

COLONEL HOUSE

The death of Colonel House inevitably recalls the days of the great war and the subsequent history of the world. A great and persuasive diplomat, the conscience keeper of President Wilson, he achieved magnificent success as the unofficial Ambassador of the U.S.A. in Europe. He it was to whom should go the credit of persuading the Allies to accept as the basis of peace the famous fourteen points attributed to President Wilson of which, in fact, he was the author. He was also the father of the League of Nations and its Covent. The League idea, the Covenant and Wilson's 14 points reveal the farsightedness of his imagination and the profundness of his human sympathies. But Colonel House and his President were out-manoeuvred by Lloyd George and Clemencau at the Peace Conference where what might have been of great promise to humanity was burnt and buried and the world got the Treaty of Versailles. That treaty is the origin of the world tragedy to-day. For it is "Versailles," which produced the monsters that are stalking it, threatening rack and ruin to the human race itself.

MADRAS SPEAKER'S VISIT TO ENGLAND.

The demand in the Madras Legislative Assembly in respect of the Speaker's visit to England evoked a lively discussion, but soon turned, as the Premier observed, into an occasion for valedictory speeches. And the demand was unanimously carried. The House was evidently convinced that with his first-hand study of Parliamentary practice in England, Ireland and France, the Speaker would be able to lay down valuable procedural precedents that would be useful not only to the Madras Assembly, but also to all the new Legislatures in India. Mr. Sambamurti is well qualified to make a judicious study of Western Parliamentary practice without slavishly copying it. We join the Madras Assembly in wishing him a successful trip.

PROTECTION TO SUGAR

As the Government of India have not yet been able to formulate their conclusions on the Tariff Board's recommendations on protection to sugar, they have found it necessary to extend the existing protective duties for one year from March 31, 1938. We hope they will utilise the time gained by making every effort to safeguard all the interests concerned in the industry. They should particularly safeguard what may be called the primary interest, the sugar-cane growers, by, among other ways, ensuring a reasonable minimum price for cane. They must also see that the workers in sugar factories get a living wage and are not exploited. It is also necessary for them to arrive at definite decisions with regard to the use of molasses, large quantities of which, as Mr. Manu Subedar pointed out, are being purchased by the United States for the production of power alcohol, while the Government of India are doing little or nothing in the matter. It will be a great advantage to the prohibition movement if the present Government machinery for the manufacture of liquor could be utilised for the production of power alcohol from molasses.

MILITARY SCHOOLS

Writing yesterday regarding the opening of the Bhonsle Military School, we suggested that the Congress Governments should take up the question of military education in right earnest. It is, therefore, very gratifying to note that Dr. Syed Mahmud, Minister of Education in Bihar, has already formulated plans for opening a military training school for Bihar, where besides the usual military courses, provision will also be made for aeronautical instruction. This is a move in the right direction and deserves to be followed by the other Provincial Governments. For, as we have pointed out before, while the demand for such training schools is as insistent as it is widespread, the existing facilities are woefully inadequate and unsatisfactory. What the country needs is not only more schools but schools which are run on the right national lines. Schools managed under the auspices of popular Governments are certainly preferable to private institutions, and each of the autonomous provinces should have such a school of its own, leading to a higher Central Academy.

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

ROME, March 29.

Optimism with regard to Anglo-Italian talks continues.

It is thought that the agreement is likely to be reached before Easter but will not be signed until after Herr Hitler's visit to Rome in the beginning of May.

—Reuter.

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The Governor-General has refused consent to a resolution in the Central Assembly about bombing of tribal areas in the North-West Frontier.

A discussion of efforts made with single-minded devotion by Great Britain to civilise the tribes will, we quite agree, not be in the public interests of India.

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Honourable Ministers of the Bombay Government declared that they would provide the same facilities to other conferences as to the Congress at Haripura if they were of the same magnitude etc. etc.

This, we are sorry to say, was certainly not cricket but bodyline bowling at Sir A. M. K. Dehlavi and comrade Jamnadas M. Mehta.

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Anglo-India says that the Congress Party "came out of the fray with spoils of victory."

The Opposition retiring with thorns and brambles.

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It is reported by an Anglo-Indian correspondent that "Mr. Jinnah cannot persuade more than 13 Muslims to join an Assembly Muslim League party under his lead."

We simply decline to believe it as anything but a malicious wish.

And then the bad luck of the Muslim League is not in numbers.

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Mr. Jinnah, complains a writer, has brushed aside the question of "dal-bha ."

Naturally. It must offend his standard of and tastes in political food'—cakes and fishes and so on.

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And then he must not be blamed for the question when Mr. Fazlul Haq who dished it out has himself completely swallowed it, as it were.

To which the Junior colleague answers with delightful ingenuousness that he did right and, Sir, what else is "dal-bhat" for?

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The oppositionists to the anti-Federation resolution in the C. P. Assembly were, says a report, "Dr Rao and non-Congress Harijan members."

That is to say, non-Congress Harijans and a Congress untouchable.

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Brigandage In Palestine
—Headline.

No, it doesn't refer so the Mandate, the National Home or the proposed partition.

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British Labour M.P.'s have demanded of the Government that the "Spanish scandal must end."

It will, it will, very soon. But the other way about.

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General Goering has declared "We shall make them (the Jews) glad to go away. Vienna shall be freed from the Jews."

Jews will receive this warning with the utmost perturbation.

And so will the equally unfortunate—Arabs of Palestine.

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Photographer: 'It will be a far better picture if you put your hand on your wife's shoulder.'

Husband: 'It would be far more natural if she put her hand in my pocket.'

Short Shrift To Quacks

Bill To Register Vaids And Hakims

Opposition Tribute To Dr. Gilder For Yeoman's Service To Indigenous Medicine

There was unanimous support from all sides of the House to the first reading of the Bill to regulate the qualifications and provide for the registration of Vaids and Hakims in the Province, when it was discussed in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on Tuesday.

SAFETY FROM QUACKS

Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Public Health, explained the implications of the measure. He said that this measure brought the practitioners of the two systems of medicine on a par with the others. It removed the existing disqualifications. It protected the public from the activities of the uneducated and half-educated quacks.

OPPOSITION TRIBUTE

The Leader of the Opposition voiced the view of the entire House, when he said that the Minister-in-Charge had done yeoman's service to the people of the Province and the public would be ever grateful to him.

Penalty Provisions Opposed

There were two members of the House, who moved amendments with a view to delete those clauses, which punished the quacks and those that contravened the provisions of the sections contained in the Bill.

The measure is to be sent to a Select Committee where all these questions could be discussed.

Mrs. Anusuyabai Kale, the Deputy Speaker of the C.P. Assembly was in the Speaker's gallery.

CONTROL OF SYSTEMS OF INDIGENOUS MEDICINE

The motion for the first reading of the Bill to regulate the qualifications and to provide for the registration of practitioners of Indian systems of medicine and to amend the law relating to medical practitioners generally in the Province of Bombay, was taken up for discussion in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on Tuesday, when it met in the Council with Hon. Mr G. V. Mavlankar, the Speaker in the Chair.

Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Public Health in moving that the Bill be read for the first time, said that he was fulfilling a promise he had made at the last session of the Assembly at Poona, by bringing in the measure. Government's intention was to encourage the study and practice of both the Ayurvedic and Unani systems of medicine. The Bill which was a long one, contained 38 clauses and the Minister suggested that the details could be gone through in the Select Committee.

OBJECT OF MEASURE

Continuing the Minister stated that the measure was made up of three parts. The first part referred to its title and extent; the second referred to the Indian systems of medicine and the third to medical practitioners generally. The measure sought the establishment of a Board of Indian Systems of Medicine, more or less on the lines of the Bombay Medical Council. Indian systems of medicine meant the Ayurvedic including Siddha and Unani-Tibbi systems, whether supplemented or not by such modern advances as the Board may from time to time determine. It had been proved that surgery and midwifery formed part of the indigenous systems of medicine.

During the last few months the Minister had come across a number of practitioners in indigenous medicines. His study of the statistics of other Provinces showed that Colleges and Schools of Indian Medicine taught surgery and midwifery. In Bombay there were 15 Ayurvedic schools. Though he was not able to get in touch with any Unani schools in the Province, he was informed that two Unani schools had recently been started. As regards the Board that would be established, its work and responsibility would be to recognise institutions, decide the curricula of studies and register medical practitioners. There were institutions where instruction was being imparted by those who learnt the systems by hereditary usage and the period of practice for purposes of recognition varied from province to province.

TERMS OF REGISTRATION

The measure provided that every person should prove within a period of one year, from the date on which the measure came into force, to the satisfaction of the Board that he had been in regular practice for a period of ten years on the date on which he made application to be registered as practitioner, with a payment of a fee of Rs. 15. There was an exception in the case of those who worked as apprentices under practitioners or had received training in institutions or passed an examination, if such apprenticeship or training or examination was in the opinion of the Board, sufficient to qualify them to practice.

HOMOEOPATHS' PROBLEM

The condition of the Homoeopaths all over the country was deplorable because there were a great number of quacks. For example there were those who passed through colleges of correspondence. Under the section referred to above, Homoeopaths were not precluded from practising. If they regulated their courses, there would be no need for having a separate college or a hospital. Except in the methods of treatment there was little difference between Homoeopathy and Allopathy. If Homoeopaths established a College or got their qualifications from an institution, which was to the satisfaction of the Government, there would be no difficulty in their way. It was for them to prove that they had received the necessary training and Government could by notification remove the ban.

MINIMUM STANDARD

The third part of the Bill, added Dr. Gilder, was meant to get rid of the uneducated and half-educated people, who called themselves Ayurvedic or Unani practitioners, as the intention of the Government was to encourage Ayurved and Unani systems of medicine, as also get rid of quacks. A Conference of Ministers of Public Health had decided that whatever might be the systems of medicine that would be encouraged, a minimum standard should be laid down. The Government of Bombay had taken the first step in that direction. It was the Bombay Municipal Corporation that suggested to the Government at the very outset to evolve some way of getting rid of the quacks.

YEOMEN'S SERVICE.

Sir A. M K. Dehlavi congratulated the Minister for Public Health for the yeoman service that he was rendering to the people of the Province. He felt that the public would be grateful to him for his attempt to get rid of quacks. He felt that some of the Bills that Government had brought forward had the best of intentions but when it came to details, even half of the intentions were not achieved. After going through the details of the Bill, he felt that the Minister-in-charge instead of getting rid of the quacks, sought to give them some status. If the intention of the Minister was to do good to the two systems of medicine, and not slowly get rid of them, he could be sure of the support of the Opposition. Since there was a great deal of difference between the two systems of medicine, he suggested that there should be two Boards of Control or there ought to be an equal number of members on the Board representing the two systems of medicine.

OBJECTIONS TO PENALTY.

Mr. G. K. Phadke moved an amendment to the effect that the provision referring to the medical practitioners generally, which is sought to be enforced two years after the Act is passed, should be deleted. He agreed that there ought to be recognition as also encouragement of the indigenous systems of medicine. But he objected to the penalising clauses which in effect took away what it sought to give. He wanted that the measure should be an enabling one.

Mr. R. N. Mandlik moved an amendment seeking to delete the provision that no unauthorised and unrecognised person could practise or hold himself out whether directly or by implication, as practising or being prepared to practise any system of medicine, surgery or midwifery.

Mrs. Laxmibai Thuse and Mr. D. W. Raut also spoke.

BOLD STEP

Dr J. A. Collaco said that under the act of 1912 it was considered infamous to consult or get treated by Vaids or Hakims and the Minister-in-charge had taken a bold step in bringing forward the measure. Times had changed and nobody liked the present state of affairs continuing, when quacks and charlatans posing as "doctors" deceived people. It was the obvious duty of the State to save the ignorant public from these people. Whatever might have been the prestine glory of the Ayurvedic system, it had fallen on bad days now and it was essential to develop the same. Referring to the clause whereby practitioners who had been working for the last ten years would be enable to register themselves, the speaker said that it was a very bad provision and said that it would mean entrusting the lives of people to these people who had been nothing else but quacks.

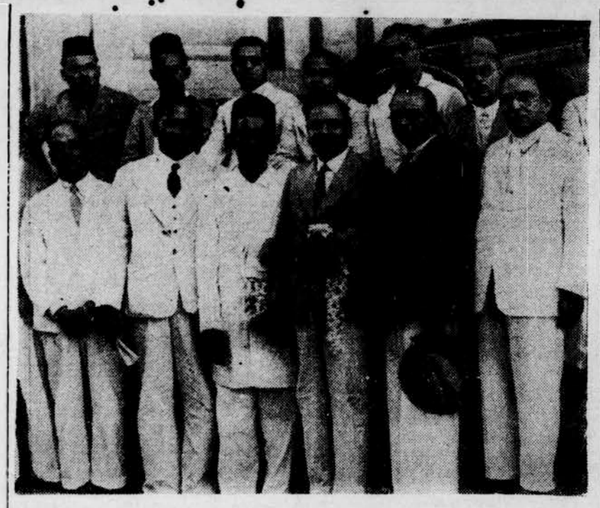
Mrs. Annapurnabai Deshmukh welcomed the measure and stressed the need of such a measure in view of all sorts of people going about posing as medical men. She was sure that even those who opposed the penal clause, would welcome the provision for the right kind of education, when they came to practical treatment.

NEED OF PENALTIES.

Mr. S. K. Patil said what should be considered was whether it was necessary to encourage the indigenous system of medicine or not. If those systems were to be encouraged then there ought to be no objection to the penal clauses as they were the real operative portion of the bill. If the objection to those clauses were raised with a view to protect the interests of those, who had been practising for years together, then their interests have been protected. But Government certainly could not agree to allow generations together to go on practising without getting the necessary training and education in the subject. What the Government was doing by bringing in this measure was to bring the practitioners of indigenous systems of medicine on a par with the other medical practitioners. Science, he said, was not the property of one nation or another. It was international in character and he did not see why there should be any objection to modern scientific developments being incorporated in the new training in indigenous systems. Legislation of any kind on the subject without the penal clauses would not be worth the paper on which it was written.

Dr. C. J. Ghia said that the measure before the house sought to get all medical practitioners registered. The privileges allowed for the Vaids and Hakims were more liberal than for others. The majority on the Board would be of Vaids and Hakims and surely their interests would be safeguarded.

Discussion on the first reading of the Bill had not concluded, when the House adjourned for the day.



Western India Homoeopaths conferred in Bombay last week-end and decided to lead deputation to the Public Health Minister, Bombay Government, on the proposed measure for registration of non-allopathic physicians.

Pudukota In Car Mishap

Prince Sustains Broken Leg: Maid & Driver Killed

CHALONS-SUR-SAONE, Mar. 29.

The Prince of Pudukota sustained a broken leg and his English chauffeur and maid were killed when the car, which the chauffeur was driving struck the side of a bridge about ten miles from here. The Prince was taken to hospital at Chalons. The maid was seated by the side of the chauffeur in the front seat of the car at the time of the accident, which it is believed was the result of a skid on a sharp bend, which has been already the scene of many accidents.

It is stated the Prince's condition is not alarming.—Reuter.

ON HORNS OF DILEMMA

No Decision Yet On Shahidgunj Problem

LAHORE, March 29.

Despite two days' heated discussion behind closed doors, the Working Committee of the Majlis-i-Ahrar has not been able to arrive at a decision on the question whether the Civil Disobedience in connection with the Shahidgunj be continued or suspended. The Working Committee is still sitting and the discussion is expected to continue for another day.

Yesterday, as usual two batches of Blueshirt and Redshirt volunteers courted arrest.

Another Blueshirt was arrested in front of the Shahidgunj, when he attempted to say Azan there.

The arrested volunteers were tried to-day and were sent to jail for six months.—A. P.

A. K. Ghose Brought To Delhi

NEW DELHI, March 29.

Mr. Ajoy Kumar Ghose, a Socialist leader of Cawnpore, who was arrested at Lahore yesterday, was brought here to-day and released at the railway station.—A. P.

German Ambassador At Ankara

ANKARA, March 29.

The German Government asked the Turkish Government to agree to the appointment of Von Papen as German Ambassador at Ankara in succession to Von Keller who is retiring on account of age.

The Turkish Government has agreed.—Reuter's Special.

19 Soviet Leaders Executed

MOSCOW, March 29.

IT IS ANNOUNCED THAT 19 LOCAL SOVIET LEADERS HAVE BEEN EXECUTED FOR HIGH TREASON IN KAZAKHSTAN.

THE SENTENCE OF DEATH WAS PASSED BY A MILITARY COURT AFTER THE ACCUSED PLEADED GUILTY TO PLOTTING TO SEPARATE KAZAKHSTAN FROM THE REST OF THE SOVIET UNION, AND PLACE IT UNDER FOREIGN PROTECTION.

THE ACCUSED, WHO WERE TRIED SECRETLY WHILE THE MOSCOW TREASON TRIAL WAS IN PROGRESS, INCLUDED M. KULEMBETOV, EX-PRESIDENT OF THE KAZAKH REPUBLIC.—REUTER.

ITALY'S "NO" TO AMERICA

ROME, March 29.

It is learned that the Government have rejected the United States' proposal for the formation of an International Committee to facilitate the emigration of political refugees from Austria and Germany.

The "Giornale d'Italia" states that in communicating the refusal to the American Ambassador in Rome, Count Ciano stated that Government were unable to adhere," in view of its well-known and clearly defined attitude in internal international polity."—Reuter.

RECEPTION TO SULTAN OF MUSCAT

LONDON, March 29.

The Sultan of Muscat (Oman) laid a wreath of Geraniums Arum and Lilies at the Cenotaph.

Afterwards Lord Zetland received the Sultan at the India Office.—Reuter.

LORD St. DAVIDS DEAD

LONDON, March 29.

The death has occurred of Lord St. Davids, brother Lord Kylsant.—Reuter.

CADMAN REPORT APPROVED

LONDON, March 29.

The House of Commons has approved the Government motion, regarding Cadman report, after defeating a Labour amendment by 129 votes to sixty-seven.—Reuter.

Body Of Another Victim Found

HAIFA, March 29.

The body of the fifth victim of the taxi-cab ambush was found near the scene riddled with bullets. Anxiety is felt regarding the fate of the girl, believed to have been kidnapped by brigands.—Reuter.

Fall In American Jobless

NEW YORK, March 29.

The American unemployed last month totalled 10,478,000 according to an official estimate which compares favourably with 10,505,000 in January and 8,116,000 in February of last year.—Reuter.

Mrs. Amrit Kaur Unable To Accept Nomination

NEW DELHI, March 29.

It is understood that Rajkumari Amrit Kaur has been unable to accept the nomination for the Central Legislative Assembly.

It is further understood that in the circumstances no woman will be nominated to the Assembly in connection with Mr. B. Das' Child Marriage Bill.—A. P.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST AIR RAID

LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE SHELTER: TRENCHES TO BE DUG IN PUBLIC PARKS

LONDON: March 28.

The Home Office, in a circular to the local authorities with regard to Air-Raid Precautions, says that WHERE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR PERSONS TO SHELTER IN THEIR OWN HOUSES THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES WILL ARRANGE TO PROVIDE SHELTERS. Also it is possible that TRENCHES WILL BE DUG IN PUBLIC PARKS TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE LIVING IN THE IMMEDIATE NEIGHBOURHOOD AGAINST THE EFFECTS OF HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE BOMBS.

In view of the reports from Spain and China, received at the Home Office, it is almost impossible to make shelter really proof against direct hit from highly explosive bombs.

THE CIRCULAR POINTS OUT THAT NO SINGLE OR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF EVACUATION IS PRACTICABLE, BUT IF NECESSITY FOR LARGE-SCALE EVACUATION AROSE, IT WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN CO-OPERATION WITH GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITY.

Talk With Italian Expert

THE FOREIGN OFFICE EXPERT MR. G. M. RENDELL TO-DAY HAD A LONG TALK WITH THE ITALIAN EXPERT. IT IS BELIEVED THEY DISCUSSED QUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH PALESTINE, SUEZ CANAL AND THE RED SEA.—Reuter.

SPAIN'S ONLY HOPE

Resist And Fight Are Only Key Words, Says Dr. Negrin

BARCELONA, March 29.

We have decided to prolong our resistance, stated the Premier, Dr. Negrin, in a dramatic "no surrender" broadcast. "We feel we are strong. We ask for the confidence of the heroic fighters and the civil population.

Each day of resistance is a day gained. The only course is to resist, resist, resist; fight, fight, fight. The power of our army has considerably increased and it is only as regards air material that it has not been possible sufficiently to accelerate production".—Reuter.

NATIONALISTS OCCUPY BARBASTRO

SALAMANCA, March 29.

The ancient cathedral city of Barbastro was occupied by the Nationalists, after the city was completely destroyed by fire by the Republicans, states a Salamanca radio message. It is alleged many bodies are among the ruins.—Reuter.

LERIDA CAPTURED, CLAIM REBELS

GIBRALTAR, March 29.

Salamanca and other rebel broadcasts claim that the important town of Lerida has been capitulated.—Reuter.

JAIL DELIVERY IN ASSAM

Cr. L. A. Act Prisoners Being Released

SHILLONG, March 29.

The Government of Assam, in a Press Note issued to-day, state that orders are being issued for the unconditional release of the remaining persons dealt with under the Assam Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1934.

With the exception of one person, a foreigner, who has been externed from Assam, no one is now under restraint in Assam under the Act.—A. P.

U. S. Raw Materials

WASHINGTON, March 29.

Exports of raw material from the United States during February are valued at 48,210,000 dollars against 67,920,000 in January, while imports for February totalled 46,700,000 compared with 51,840,000.—Reuter.

Nazi Gift To Austria

Big Concentration Camp To Be Established At Salzkammergut

VIENNA, March 29.

A big concentration camp for the whole of Austria will be established in Salzkammergut.—Reuter.

"THESE DEMOCRATIC MURDERERS"

Hitler Fulminates Against Powers

BERLIN, March 28.

Germany was becoming prouder, richer, more beautiful and self-confident declared Herr Hitler in a speech to 20,000 people at Sport-Palast. He demanded every German vote in the plebiscite on April 10 adding he who wants to condemn us shall write his "no."

He declared that more National Socialists had been murdered in Austria than in the whole of Germany. "They say I am a tyrant and these murderers are supposed to be democrats." The world praises them and, just as in Spain, the Democratic hypocrites do not care a hoot, but they suddenly wake up when a Jew in Vienna loses his business."—Reuter.

VIJAYARAGHAVACHARI REACHES ROME

Delivers First Of His Series Of Lectures

ROME, March 29.

Diwan Bahadur Sir T. Vijayaraghavachariar arrived here last evening. He delivered the first of the series of lectures in the evening on the subject of the constitution and Government of India.

The future lectures include the influence of the religion on India and Indian agriculture.—Reuter.

ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT

Negotiations May Be Successful

ROME, March 29.

Optimism with regard to Anglo-Italian talks continues.

It is thought that the agreement is likely to be reached before Easter but will not be signed until after Herr Hitler's visit to Rome in the beginning of May.—Reuter.

ITALY TO INCREASE ARMAMENTS

ROME, March 29.

Sgr. Mussolini is expected to make an important statement on Wednesday.

It is thought it may deal with Italy's defences and possibly announce increase in armaments. The speech will be broadcast from all Italian stations.—Reuter.

FLYING BOAT RECORD

German Machine Makes Non-Stop 6,000 Miles

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 29.

German Luft-Hansa flying boat with a crew of four, which was catapulted from steamer "Westfalen", off Startbay, Devon, at 14/00 G. M. T. on March 27 descended at Caravellas, Brazil at 09/05 The crew claim that this is a flying boat record for a flight, which was over 6,000 miles non-stop.—Reuter.

SIRCAR CREATES DILEMMA FOR GOVT.

Who Will Act As Chairman Of S. C. On Motor Vehicles Bill During His Leave?

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, March 29.

With the intention of the Law Member to proceed on leave early in June, an interesting situation faces the Government. The Law Member has been elected member of the Select Committee on Motor Vehicles Bill and consequently, his office is that of the Chairman of the Committee. In case he proceeds on leave there will be no member of the Committee who can be Chairman in his absence. The new officiating Law Member will not be a member of the Committee till he takes the oath of allegiance as member of the Central Assembly. Neither the Deputy President, nor any other member who is on the panel of Chairman for Central Assembly is a member of the Select Committee constituted through a motion in the House.

The situation is being examined and either the Deputy President or some member from the Panel will be sought to be substituted on the Committee. The difficulty has been detected in time. Otherwise as happened this session not a single Select Committee meeting can be called before the session actually commences, which would upset all calculations for Autumn session.

REDUCING MADE HER FEEL FITTER

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Insight Into City's Underworld

WORK OF CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

Bombay Governor's Appeal For Help To Umerkady Home's Activities

"We all know something of the criminal underworld in this City, but I think it is true that large numbers of our fellow citizens do not realise the extent to which child life is being exploited for criminal purposes. May I, therefore, suggest that you should devote special attention to publicity, for it is inevitable that, if the public generally were aware of the immensity of the problem this Society is helping to solve, and of your urgent requirements, your appeal for financial aid to complete the Lord Brabourne Home for Boys and for regular su bscribers would meet with an immediate and generous response."

These words of advice was given by H.E. the Governor to the Managing Committee of the Children's Aid Society at the annual meeting held at C. J. Hall on Tuesday evening.

NEED OF RIGHT TYPE OF CHARITY

Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, the Home Member, in moving the adoption of the report of the Children's Aid Society for the last year said few people in the city knew the strenuous work carried on by the Society for the welfare of the children. He himself was not aware of the magnitude of the work till he became ex-officio Vice-President. In the last 13 years, he said, not less than 8,000 children had passed through the Umercarry Home and last year the Home had sheltered 1,195 children, fed and educated them and some of them were put to earn their own livelihood. There were people who provided in their wills to feed fish, dogs and pigeons. He would advise such charitably disposed persons to divert their charity in the right channel and make provision for the destitute children, who were maladjusted and were, therefore, a burden on society.

Mr. Meyer Nissim seconded the proposition, which was carried unanimously.

The audited accounts were passed on the proposition of Mr. C. P. Bramble seconded by Mrs. J. N. Raiji.

IMPORTANT REQUISITES.

H. E. Sir Roger Lumley then said:

The causes of juvenile delinquency are evident, but any substantial amelioration must necessarily be a lengthy process in which both Government and the public will require to pull their full weight. Possibly the more important requisites are improved housing conditions and the provision of better facilities for education and recreation. Only less important are the questions of street trading by children and their exploitation in the labour market. I am glad to say that Government have under consideration many aspects of these great problems and I am sure that they will welcome such advice and assistance as this Society can give them.

We all know something of the criminal underworld in this City, but I think it is true that large numbers our fellow citizens do not realise the extent to which child life is being exploited for criminal purposes. May I, therefore, suggest that you should devote special attention to publicity, for it is inevitable that, if the public generally were aware of the immensity of the problem this Society is helping to solve, and of your urgent requirements, your appeal for financial aid to complete the Lord Brabourne Home for Boys and for regular subscribers would meet with an immediate and generous response.

REMARKABLE RECORD

I must congratulate you on your remarkable record of achievement during the past twelve years. I am glad to note that in the past year progress has been well maintained. One point which strikes me very forcibly is the number of people who have come to your assistance in a variety of ways during the year If an institution can be judged by the generosity of its friends, then your reputation is indeed an enviable one. A further very satisfactory feature is the splendid spirit displayed by your Staff in carrying out their onerous and often not very pleasant duties. I should like to convey my warm appreciation to them and to your voluntary helpers.

Mrs. Faiz B. Tyebji moved a vote of thanks to H.E. the Governor which was seconded by Sir C. V. Mehta and carried with acclamation.

FACTORY ACT FOR CASHEW WORKERS

Questions In Assembly

The following questions were asked in the Bombay Legislative Assembly:—

Mr. S. V. PARULEKAR (Ratnagiri South): Will the Honourable the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(a) how many Cashew Nut Factories are there in the Ratnagiri District;

(b) What is the average number of workers employed by each factory;

(c) whether Government have considered the desirability of exercising the power vested in them under sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Factories Act, 1934, for declaring them to be factories for all the purposes of the Factories Act, 1934:

(d) if so, with what result?

The Honourable Mr. B. G. KHER:

(a) 6 working.

(b) 320.

(c) Yes.

(d) Government have decided to apply some of the provisions of the Factories Act including those relating to hours of work, weekly holiday and prohibition of night working for women.

Mr. S. V. PARULEKAR (Ratnagiri South): Will the Honourable the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the majority of employees employed by the Cashew Nut Factories in the Ratnagiri District are females;

(b) what are their average monthly earnings;

(c) whether Government intend to extend the application of the Payment of Wages Act to these factories;

(d) if not, what are their reasons for the same?

The Honourable Mr. B. G. KHER:

(a) Yes.

(b) About 4 annas daily: Rs. 7 to Rs. 7-8-0 per month.

(c) and (d) Government have decided to extend to these factories certain provisions of the Payment of Wages Act which would ensure that wages due are promptly paid.

5 MAZHABIS COURT ARREST DAILY

SHEIKHUPURA, March 29.

The Satyagraha movement started by Mazhabis Sikhs at Mankana Sahib continues unabated. A batch of five Mazhabis is daily courting arrests and refuses to offer bail when brought in court.

The number of arrests up-to-date has reached 80.—A. P.

They Believe In Non-Violence

JHANSI, March 29.

Bhagwandas Mahor and Sadashivrao, who were convicted in the Bushaval Bomb Case and sentenced to transportation for life in 1930, but who have been granted amnesty by the Bombay Government, arrived here yesterday.

Interviewed by a Press representative they stated that they now firmly believed that any sort of violence in Indias fight for freedom would be not merely be useless, but directly detrimental to further progress.—A. P.

Protection For Broken Rice

NEW DELHI, March 29.

The United Press learns that Government have decided to continue the protective duty on broken rice for another period of one year. The existing duty expires on March 31.

The Tariff Amendment Bill for this purpose will be introduced in the Assembly to-morrow.—United Press.

INJUNCTION AGAINST HYPNOTIST

Dispute Over Trade Name Of A Talisman

Mr. Justice Somjee at the High Court heard the notice of motion taken out by Habibullah Dharamsey in connection with his suit against Prof. Motiwalla, "Hypnotist".

By this notice of motion the plaintiff asked for an interim injunction, pending disposal of the suit, to restrain the defendant from using the name "Navroz" in connection with the sale of his "taviz" or talisman.

Mr. Motilal Setalvad, Advocate-General, instructed by Messrs. Pereira and Fazulbhoy, appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. C. K. Daphtary, instructed by Joshi and Co., appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff stated that he made and sold talismans or charms under the trade mark or trade name of Navarozi charm which protects the person wearing it from all evils and confers other benefits on him.

The plaintiff advertised the said charm on a very large scale in papers and magazines.

The defendant who claimed to be a "hypnotist" had also been selling talismans of his own under the name of "Magnet" for a number of years. The plaintiff had come to know recently that the defendant had added the word "Navroze" in a very bold type to his original name "Magnet" which is printed in small letters in his advertisement appearing in the "Kismat" magazine of March 1938. This was a clear imitation of the plaintiff's trade name for his talisman which had been in the market for the past 12 years.

At the hearing of the notice of motion, it was contended for the defendant that his advertisement was published on the occasion of the last Navroz holiday and, therefore, the word "Navroz" was naturally printed in bold letters to call attention to the occasion. The plaintiff could not claim to have property in the word "Navroz" which anybody was at liberty to use.

After hearing counsel, his Lordship granted an interim injunction and directed that the suit be put on board sometime in August.

REVENUE MINISTER VISITS HOME TOWN

Surat Muslims' Confidence In Congress Ministry

BULSAR (By Mail).

The Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister of Bombay paid his first visit to Bulsar which is the Minister's home town.

He visited the offices of the Bulsar Taluka Congress Committee and the Ruttonji Nathubhai Chavsarewala Free Eye Hospital. He was given a civic address and hoisted the Congress flag on the municipal building.

The Minister was introduced to the councillors by Dr. S. M. Navalkar, President of the Municipality, before these functions took place.

Dr. Navalkar, the Municipal President, read the civic address. The address voiced full confidence in the Ministry.

MINISTER'S REPLY

The Minister, speaking in Gujarati, appealed to the Municipal councillors to improve their administration of the affairs of the town.

The Minister then proceeded to the Sanskrit Pathshala, where an address was presented by the Anavil Brahmin community.

TOUR OF VILLAGES

In the afternoon Mr. Desai began his tour of the villages in the taluka. He was accompanied by Rao Bahadur K. R. B. Bhadrapur, Collector of Surat, Mr. Kanialal N. Desai, President of the Surat District Congress Committee.

He visited Rohnvale, eight miles from here on the Bulsar-Dharampur-Nasik road. An address was presented on behalf of Kolies and other aboriginal tribes.

A meeting of Muslims and others was held in the village of Parnera.

Mr. Ganibhai Usmanbhai, Secretary of the Muslim Society, Surat, said that the Muslims of Surat district had full confidence in the present Ministry.

The Minister assured the minority communities that the present Government would not only do justice to all, but would take the greatest care to see that the interests of the minorities were fully safeguarded.

The Minister was then presented with an address in the village of Untadi.

He also spoke at the salt pans Agarias of Chharvada, and Bhadeli where he was presented with an address.

A purse of Rs. 501 was presented to the Minister at Bhagda by the local timber traders.

Mr. Morarji returned to Bombay from Bulsar on Monday.

NEW DEWAN OF PORBANDER

Framrose Master To Take Charge On Friday

RAJKOT, March 28.

Mr. Fromrose Master, ex-Dewan, Radhanpur, and President of the Council of Administration, Idar State, has been appointed Dewan, Porbander State. He will assume charge on April 1.—A.P.

Return Of Confiscated Lands

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ernment would always consider the helpful criticisms of the Opposition members. He could not bring the matter before the House earlier, for the work was taken on hand sometime in October, and he took the earliest opportunity to present it before the House.

SOLITUDE FOR PUBLIC.

Keeping aside Party considerations Mr. Nurie asked the House to view the whole issue on its merits. The issue was whether it was necessary that this expenditure should have been incurred, and it was asked whether the same amount would be spent for any other session.

The Hon. Mr. Nurie said that Government would consider it their primary duty to spend the amount if all the circumstances were present as were present at Haripura. Whether it was a conference of the Muslim League or whether it was a Jatra, Government had always been helping people, who gathered in their thousands, by providing them all necessary facilities.

MODEST EXPENSE.

He wished to inform the House that for the Faizpur Congress, the past Government sanctioned a sum of Rs. 12,000 for laying a road over a distance of only three miles. If that were so, was it too much that Government had built a road for 13 miles, for the use of nearly 5 to 10 lakhs of people, who utilised the road during a very short period of three or four days.

Entering a spirited defence on behalf of the villagers and the people of the rural areas, the Minister asked the members, why was it that they demanded first class roads in Bombay costing at the rate of 8 annas a square yard. It was because they wanted to look to the convenience of traffic especially because there were many vehicles and there was great rush. Exactly similar conditions prevailed on this road and was it wrong that a decent road was provided for the benefit of the people of those areas?

WHY GOVT. STEPPED IN.

If they wanted in Bombay four lakhs of rupees for four miles of road of Marine Drive, why should they object to a far cheaper road in the rural areas. If they could afford to spend Rs. 50,000 per mile in Bombay, were not the villagers entitled to have a road that cost Rs. 2,000 a mile? Provincial roads were permanent roads and were important roads. That was why they were kept by the Provincial Government, while the less important roads were handed over to the District Local Boards. In the present instance, the District Local Board's road ran for only four miles, while the remaining nine miles formed the provincial road. And as the District Local Board refused to have anything to do with improving the road for want of funds, Government had to step in.

Why did they want a first class road on the Bombay-Poona and Bombay-Nasik routes. Did they realise that similar reasons held good in regard to this Haripura road?

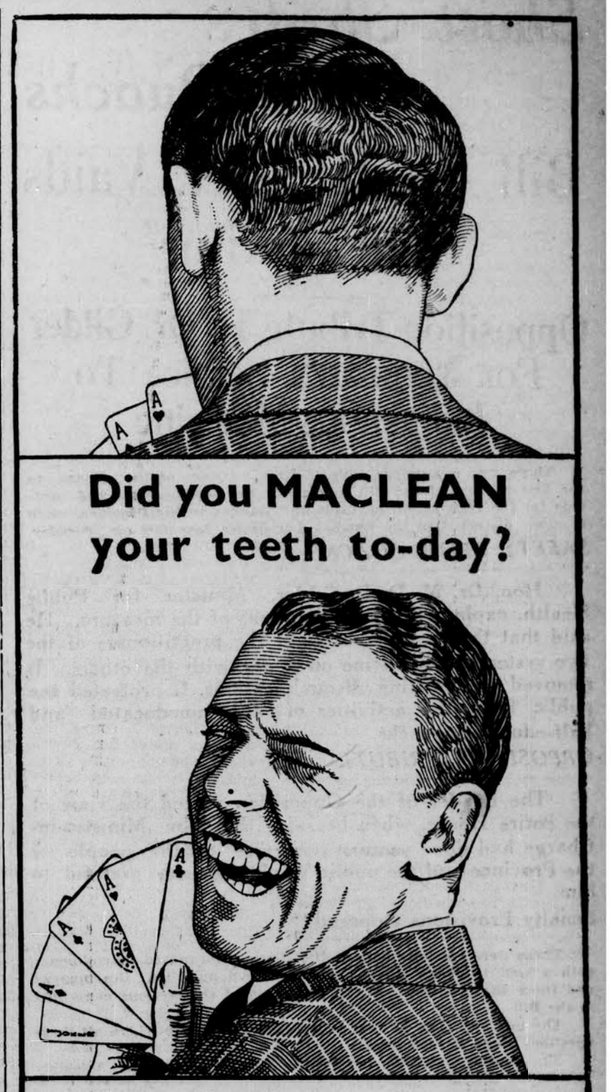
If the Bombay-Thana road was asphalted, perhaps, they would have invited the Minister to a Party and would have congratulated him.

NOT WITHOUT RETURN.

They should realise what would be the share of Bombay in the petrol tax that Bombay would have got in this traffic. This had certainly given them a good return. He appreciated the view expressed by Dr. Solanki. If the people of Bombay had a right to ask for good roads, the people of Gujarat too could ask for them. Once in a life time, there was an opportunity for those people to have a good road at the cost of Rs. 70,000 and why should the members grudge this much. For the first time after the present Government had come to power, a road was tarred and why should there be such a criticism. They should remember that they not only wanted first class roads, between Bombay and Poona and Bombay and Nasik, but they also wanted that cart-traffic should be diverted along another road.

The Hon. Mr. Nurie concluded by saying that Government had adopted certain principles as far as the road policy was concerned, and that policy would continue.

The House adjourned till April 11 next.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MUSLIM LEAGUE WITH THE LID OFF

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masses are concerned, the League is where it was. Apart from a few meetings which have been held under the cry of 'religion in danger' in some of the large cities, there has been no fluttering in masses. Mr. Jinnah has received a number of grand receptions in the large cities in addition to support in Anglo-Indian journals. But what has been the effect, if any, on the masses in the wide countryside? Is it not true that whilst the fire-eating leaders of the League had been indulging in wrathful homerics against the Congress at the Lucknow Conference, the very next door Muslim constituency of Bijnor was solidly supporting the Congress candidate? In the five United Provinces bye-elections, all of which the Congress contested, the Congress candidates secured no less than 16,000 votes as against 15,000 and odds obtained by the League candidates, who had all the passionate arguments of religion and culture on their side and the personal canvassing of Mr. Jinnah, Mr. Fazlul Huq and others. The same story has been repeated in the Bombay-Kolaba constituency bye-election, only 75 miles away from the heart of the League activities. The nationalist candidate was returned by a substantial margin in spite of the vigorous propaganda carried on by well-known Muslim League leaders on behalf of the League candidate on the spot.

The Muslim electorates have shown that they are intrinsically the same as masses all over the world. They are more susceptible to socialistic or even non-socialistic but material arguments. They do not care for the lay figures of bourgeois liberalism such as the so-called communal rights any more than their counterparts do in other parts of the world. The Muslim proletariat in the north section of the City of Bombay—who are somewhat more conscious and politically organised section of the Muslims of Bombay,—are openly ridiculing the communal demands of the League and that attitude is perfectly natural, spontaneous and healthy in a community whose first and last problem is that of starvation and to solve which they are convinced they must end imperialistic domination.

What About Election Manifesto?

In the midst of all this hue and cry, it may be asked where do the election manifestos come in? What does the League propose to do to put these progressive manifestos through? It is quite plain these manifestos have now become dead letters. The League parties are in opposition in most of the Provinces, and in the opposition at least in Bombay, the obstructive and reactionary attitude of the League Party has been in defiance of the spirit and the letter of these manifestos. This sense of irresponsibility also demonstrates how hollow is their claim to represent the Muslim community. The attitude of these "leaders" has been throughout one of self-complacency and of indifference to the welfare of the community. Most of the members in Muslim League Party cannot be properly described as party candidates. They hail from regions where an average voter had not even heard the name of the League. Hardly in any of the districts has there been in the past or even now any active League organisation. In most cases, therefore, the electorates were wholly uninitiated into the policy of the League and voted on personal considerations

Punjab And Bengal Pacts

This brings us to another important aspect of this problem, viz: how far can the League arrogate to itself the right to speak for, or negotiate a settlement with the other communities on behalf of the Muslims. I have urged above that the League is a party of the bourgeoisie and has no contact with the masses. Even so, its activities are restricted to only a few provinces. In the North-West Frontier Province, Sind and the Punjab, predominantly Muslim provinces, there is not a sign of the existence of Muslim League. In the Legislatures of these provinces, there are hardly any League members. The much-boosted pact with the Unionist party has fallen flat, and according to the recent statement by Mr. Barkat Ali, Advocate, the sole League member in the Punjab Assembly, not one of the 90 members of the Unionist Party has joined the League as was expected during the last four months. I do not know how much better has been the fate of the other pact entered into by the League with the Proja Party in similar circumstances. Apart from the fact that these pacts are unconstitutional inasmuch as any merger with the League would constitute a gross betrayal of the electorates, the fundamental fact remains that so far there has been no merger between the League and the Proja Party and, to all intents and purposes, the Bengal pact is not faring better than its Punjab prototype.

In several Provinces such as Central Provinces, Bihar, Orissa, and Madras, the League's activities are at a very low ebb if not at a standstill. It is really only in the United Provinces that the League has been able to cut some ice, and to a lesser extent in Bombay. On the other hand, opposed to the League are the strongest elements in the Muslim community. There is the large mass of the people—the peasants and the proletariat—whose interests and the interest of bourgeois leaders of the League are diametrically opposed and it would be tragic to suggest that these masses should be placed under the representation of middle class bourgeois leaders. It is only in the Province that these masses of population have secured proper representations and that is in the North-West Frontier Province. There is more consciousness amongst the Muslims in North-West Frontier Province than in any other part of India. In other Provinces, they are in reality unrepresented and whatever may be the political leanings of the masses, it would be a great wrong to them to suggest that they should be represented by capitalist and pro-imperialist parties like the League and the Unionist Party. Further wherever the League exists, there are other parties of the Nationalist Muslims like the Ahrar Party and the Independence Party of Bihar in addition to the Congress, which counts over a lakh of Muslim members on its register and which has Muslim followers all over the country. It would therefore, be unjust and improper to vest in reactionary, bourgeois leaders, who are dominating the League the character to represent the Muslim community, 90 per cent. of which have almost nothing in common mentally, socially or economically with these leaders. The bourgeois bodies in the very nature of things, suffer from an inherent incapacity to represent fairly the interest of the masses. It would be much better that the latter were not represented at all. (The above article was received for the "Chronicle" Jubilee Number but, it is regretted, could not be included in it for want of space.—Editor, "B. C.")

Mansa Peasants' Tale Of Woe

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were uprooted from their hinges.

A 16 year-old girl, Sona by name was subjected to bad treatment by the police. Her father and brother had previously fallen victims to the wrath of the State with the result that the father now stays out of the State territory and the son is lying in the hospital as a result of beating. One night, it is said, when the girl was all alone in the house, she found her doors being broken open. A posse of police entered the room and asked her where her father was? The girl denied any knowledge. This was nothing but an invitation for the use of force. Stick-blows were showered on her. The doors leading to the inner rooms were also broken. The boxes were broken open and silver weighing about 215 tolas was taken away.

The second case was only a few doors away. In a cot was lying a man with deep sunk eyes. We went to him. In slow faltering tones he began to narrate his story. On the night of 9th or 10th, he did not exactly remember which, he was sleeping in his compound. At dead of night he heard loud noises. The women and children came up to him. They said the village was besieged and looted. All of a sudden, some policemen came forcibly, and gave him blows. He received injuries on head and chest. But the worst was a kick in the abdomen. He showed us the place. And his voice chocked. He could not speak any more. Emotion and fatigue overpowered him.

These sights of brutality upset us. We thought that it would be proper if we could have the other side of the picture. With this purpose in view we returned to Mansa and sought an interview with the Dewan Mr. Dave. He began to complain about partial line taken up by the press. We told him that we had come to know his side of the case. He put his case this way. According to the Dewan there is an increase of 51 points. He tried to support his by carefully selected figures

Then we asked him about the "atrocities." He said atrocities was not the word. "The people of Mansa State are given to telling lies" he said When we narrated him the things we had seen with our own eyes he offered a very curious explanation. He said in effect that if the police were abused in public and press, they were likely to be upset and do certain things.

We drew his attention about the extreme illegality of the whole thing, with supreme self confidence he said that the attachments were according to the proviso of the Land Revenue Code. Seeing that it was no use asking him further questions we asked him as to how did he propose to end the present trouble. He said "I cannot accept the proposal of an Arbitration Board. But I am trying to put an end to the whole matter." Some one of us suggested that we should be permitted to see the Jail and the prisoners. He secured us the permission of the Raoliji

We went to Jail. Some of us had experiences of different Jails in different provinces in India and Mr. Tendulkar had the benefit of the experience of German Jail too. But this Jail beats all. All day as the prisoners very vehemently asserted despite the repeated denials of the Jail Authorities, they were locked up. There is no difference in the treatment meted out to convicts or under-trials.

Bengal Socialists To Confer

DACCA, March 28.

The Third Bengal Congress Socialist Party Conference meets here on April 2nd and 3rd, under the presidency of Dr. Z. A. Ahmed. Mr Javaprakash Narayan, Mr. Yusuf Meherally from Bombay, and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, Secretary of the Foreign Department of the All-India Congress Committee, are expected to attend the Conference.—United Press.

ALLEGED CONFESSION

Suspect Arrested For Intent Of Attempt On C. P. Minister

NAGPUR, March 28.

Sitaram, a Second Year Harijan student of the Morris College who was arrested last night for carrying a knife, with a sheath torn at the point, is alleged to have confessed to the police that he intended to make an attempt on the life of the Law Minister, the Hon. Mr. Shareef.

It appears that he moved round the rostrum twice, hiding the knife but was detected by one boy as he moved. He is also stated to have confessed the name of a person who supplied the knife.

Police enquiries are proceeding.—United Press.

Harassed By Arab Police For False Document

ALIGARH, March 28.

Alarming rumours about the arrest in Arab of Hakeem Sahsvai Sahib of Aligarh had been agitating the public mind for some time past.

It is now learnt that some enemy of Hakim Sahib had sent an anonymous letter to the Inspector General of Police, Mecca, enclosing therein a letter, alleged to have been sent home by Hakeem Sahib informing some one that he had made all arrangements for the assassination of His Majesty the King of Arabia. The police chief of Mecca, in view of the seriousness of the allegation and shortness of time for conducting an investigation, placed Hakeem Sahib under police vigilance.

Investigations later proved that the letter in question was a forged document The allegations against Hakeem Sahib having proved absolutely baseless, the Government of Hedjaz waved the police vigilance with profound apologies to Hakeem Sahib The Hakeem Sahib was treated as a State guest and was the proud recipient of a 'Khilaat' from the King.—United Press.

NO KIDNAPPING, BUT LOVE MARRIAGE

Daughter Of Rana Of Nepal Denies Report

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD: March 29.

"Not kidnapping, but love marriage," is the statement made by N. D. Devi, the beautiful young daughter of the Rana of Nepal, who was reported to have been kidnapped by her private tutor from Benares, according to a report sent by a news agency from Calcutta.

This statement is reinforced by her 'husband' Bhat Narain Bahadur Shresht. Both of them have issued spirited denial of the kidnapping report. They say that the age of the Rana's daughter is not 15 years as reported but 24 years and this fact has been certified by three doctors including the Civil Surgeon of Benares."

The couple state that N. D. Devi compelled by treatment of certain members of her family, found no other way but to come out of her house and legally married Bhat Narain. She left all her jewelleries, etc., behind except her eartops and six gold bangles which she was wearing at the time when she left her house.

This fact was duly brought to the notice of the District Magistrate. Benares police made enquiries and found nothing against them. They repudiate allegations about taking jewelleries and cash worth one and half lakhs and kidnapping as entirely false. It appears from this that the girl abandoned all riches at altar of love.

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SAGAR COMEDY AT WEST END

MOTILAL and SABITADEVI.
in an amusing scene from "Thre e Hundred Days and After," the smart Sagar comedy at West End.

Durga Khote's New Film "Soungadi" Coming To Majestic

Many new stars have recently appeared, on Indian 'filmament' but Durgabai Khote, with such great roles to her credit as "Seeta" and "Raj Rani Meera", continues to maintain her popularity—despite the fact that she has not been favoured recently with outstanding stories and direction. Her latest picture, "Soungadi" (in Marathi) which opens at Majestic on Friday the 8th April, is expected to re-establish her reputation as one of the leading Indian film stars

STORY OF MODERN LIFE

"Soungadi" is a touching story of modern life in which elements of romance, jealousy and intrigue are woven in a dramatic pattern.

A newly married couple, Manjula and Manohar, take to the village life after completing their education in the city. Blessed with a child, the pair lives happily till Fate chooses to play its inevitable card.

Through the good graces of a rich uncle both Manohar and Manjula are taken back to the city as heirs to a vast wealth.

With great reluctance they leave the village where they had built a home, accompanied by Professor Sunderrao, a close friend of the family.

In the city Manohar and Manjula soon become strangers to each other as Manohar is all the time engrossed in the management of the vast estates. Manjula is thrown into the company of Professor Sunderrao and they see a lot of each other.

DRUG ADDICT

Dr. Dinanath, the disinherited nephew of the rich uncle who brought Manohar to the city, finds this a good opportunity to play his card and he poisons the mind of Manohar by throwing suspicion on the character of Manjula. Gradually Manohar comes to believe that Manjula is carrying on an "affair" with his friend Professor Sunderrao.

His bed of peace soon grows thorns of anguish and Manohar, under the subtle suggestion of Dr. Dinanath, takes to morphia. Slowly but surely Manohar becomes a drug addict and revels in the luxury of insulting and maltreating his devoted wife. Every one is shocked at the unexplained misbehaviour of Manohar who was reputed to be a sober young man.

Inevitably now tragedy enters a home where there was once peace and sunshine.

Manjula from the meek and submissive housewife soon asserts herself and becomes a woman of will and purpose and soon wants to unravel the mystery of her husband's queer life.

And then numerous incidents lap over one another to reach an exciting climax.

In "Soungadi" Nataraj Films have given a picture which while providing entertainment points the sad and tragic effects of the drug habit.

Durga Khote as Manjula the heroine of the story in claimed to have given a superb performance. Mubarak acts as "Manohar". As a drug addict, he gives interludes which are said to be convincing and pathetic.

Naseem and Sohrab Modi in "Meetha Zahar," fifth week at Minerva.

MAYA DEVI,
Bombay Talkies artiste who will be seen in their latest production "Nirmala" booked for Roxy.

Mysore Maharaja Sees "Watan"

The Sagar film, 'Watan,' was commanded by His Highness The Maharaja of Mysore, to be shown at his Palace last week

Last Tuesday the picture was screened in the Jaganmohan Palace, when His Highness and all the high officials of the State, nobles of His Highness' court and the members of the Royal Family, were present.

"Jwala" Does Credit To Huns Vinayak And Chandramohan

(By Our Film Critic)

Huns Pictures are perhaps the youngest among the better known film concerns in India. But with each new presentation they have been establishing their claim to be recognized as producers of progressive, original and, often, artistically notable films. "Jwala", their latest release which will have its premiere at Opera House on Friday 1st April and which was shown a few days ago to the Press, is an achievement of which they may well be proud. It tells a dramatic story, progressive to a great extent in its social outlook, cinematically well-knit and directed with efficiency and imagination.

CHANDRAMOHAN—MINUS MAKE-UP!

The most outstanding feature of "Jwala" is, of course, the star performance by Chandramohan. It is the first time that we see him actually as he is without those variations of the "villainous" make-up which had become so marked in his pictures for Prabhat—the evil wink of the Rajguru in "Amrit Manthan", the hypocritical long beard in "Dharmatma" and more recently, the absence of a leg in "Amar Jyoti". With his appearance in "Jwala" he may be said to have literally thrown away the crutches! Not the artificial aids of make-up but an innate dramatic ability and a naturally mobile face build up the impressive characterization of General Angar, the ambitious militarist who died in the attempt to capture the throne for himself. Ambition—unashamed, defiant and flaming ambition—is the key-note of Angar's character. For the realization of his dreams he is prepared to sacrifice everything—the love of his wife and child, the friendship of his comrade, Tarang, and the loyalty to his monarch. It is ambition that smoulders in those tortured blue eyes, it is ambition which steels the heart of a loving husband, it is ambition that flares up in that last desperate, heroic but lonely battle he fights against overwhelming odds.

But, personally, I marvelled not so much at Chandramohan's portrayal of the ambitious tyrant (sometimes it was apt to become theatrical!) but at his interpretation of those few human and weaker moment in Angar's fiery career—when the love of his wife and child irresistably subdues his lust for power. It is a measure of Chandramohan's success that even though he plays an unsympathetic role, he portrays the personality of Angar so impressively that one cannot but have a sneaking admiration for the brave tyrant!

CHANDRAMOHAN
Whose striking performance as General Angar is the outstanding feature of Huns Pictures' "Jwala."

COMPETENT DIRECTION.

Even Chandramohan's brilliant acting could not have made "Jwala" the admirable picture that it is without the competent direction of Vinayak. This young Director (he is, I believe, only 26 years old!) has been steadily improving his grasp of cine technique. From the irresponsible, though often enterprising, crudities of "Premveer" to the confident handling of "Jwala" marks the measure of his recent progress. There is very little to be criticised in the matter of continuity and I was glad to see that Director Vinayak had dared to do away with those inevitable "comedy sequences" which kill the tempo of many good Indian films. As an actor, too, he shines. He makes Priyal, the faithful old retainer, a striking and wholly lovable character.

Ratnaprabha, as the ambitious General's wife, has a rather timid role which she plays with moderate success. But she sings quite a number of songs (aren't they too many?) some of which—particularly the one with the refrain "Jago Ho"—are simply delightful. Ashalata, as the wild "cave girl", provides the surprise of the picture by successfully playing a lively vampish role.

"Jwala", by the way, is definitely one of the best photographed Indian films of the year.

WHY THIS TAME ENDING?

As I said above, "Jwala" is the story of a military commander's ambition and General Angar, the central figure of this fantasy, may be regarded as the prototype of many modern "Dictators". His tyrannical methods are well-depicted and particularly commendable for its clever symbolism is the scene where people are prodded in their backs with lances to force them to shout "General Angar Ki Jai". The flight of the youthful but cowardly Raja and the subsequent revolt of the people against the tyranny of Angar are the logical sequence of events in a story with a democratic theme. But the ultimate restoration of the Raja is not only an undeserved tribute to the reactionary system of monarchy but it definitely weakens even the dramatic evolution of the story. It is a tame ending to an otherwise powerful and progressive drama.

Durga Khote, Mubarak and others in "Soungadi," Natraj Films production coming to Majestic next week.

Bombay Film Diary

CENTRAL: "Kunku," Marathi version of "Unexpected." Prabhat's outstanding "Social", bold denunciation of forced marriages, starring Shanta Apte. (First Week).

GLOBE: "Vasant Bengali," Imperial "thriller" featuring Hasnabanu. Also scenes of wrestler "King Kong" Emil Tzea. (Second Week).

KRISHNA: "Unexpected" or "Dunia-na-Mane" starring Shanta Apte. 25th and last week. Must be seen before it is over.

IMPERIAL: "Usne Kya Socha", featuring Ratanbai. Interesting and unusual story. Good songs by Ratanbai. (Second Week).

LAMINGTON: "Lutaru Lalana" Wadia's thriller featuring Nadia and Sarita. Also showing Haripura Congress topical. (Third Week).

MINERVA: "Meetha Zahar", featuring Sohrab Modi, Naseem, Jagirdar. Popular Melodrama with entertainment value. (5th Week).

MAJESTIC: "Kanhopatra", devotional Marathi picture, featuring Leela. Good entertainment for Marathi-knowing audiences. (5th Week).

OPERA HOUSE: "Chandrarao More", good Marathi historical film, 12th and last week. To be replaced by 'Jwala" on Friday.

ROXY: "Vidyapati", Devki Bose's fine musical-cum-idealistic film. (17th Week).

WEST END: "300 Days and After", smart comedy drama by Sagar. Good work by Sabita Devi and Motilal. (Third Week).

Dave and Husnbano in Imperial Film Co's "Vasant Bengali," third week at Globe.

"Industrial India"

Director Mohan Singh who has recently joined the organisation of Film City is busy selecting the cast for his picture which has been dubbed "Industrial India."

It will be recollected that Mr. Mohan Singh was previously responsible for "Fashionable India" and "Romantic India."

His present story will be a comedy.

KAMLESH KUMARI,
Who is one of the many prominent featured players in New Theatres' "Motherland."

"Nirmala" To Be Preceded By B. T. Film Festival!

ALL DEVIKA RANI PICTURES TO BE SEEN AT ROXY

"Nirmala", the Bombay Talkies new production starring Devika Rani and due for release at Roxy on Friday 15th April, is to be heralded in an original and striking manner.

From Saturday 2nd April to the day preceding the release of "Nirmala," the Roxy will be screening in succession every one of the Bombay Talkies films produced so far. Thus Devika Rani's fans will see her, successively as

A plucky young girl who defied society for love in "Jawani Ki Hawa."

A woman going to the gallows for the sake of her child in "Mother".

A gullible bride whose husband is "found out" and taught to "Always Tell Your Wife".

The innocent victim of suspicion braving the storms of life in "Jeevan Naiya",

The unfortunate but almost immortal "Achhut Kannya",

The Bhil girl who died for her people's "Izzat",

And as Uma, "the ideal wife," in her last successful film "Jeevan Prabhat"

"Daughter Of Himalayas" Coming At Krishna

From Saturday 2nd April, at Krishna, will be shown Bhavnani Productions' latest release "Daughter of the Himalayas," starring Enakshi Ramrao. Scenes of Kashmir are said to be a notable feature of this film.

"AMBIKAPATHY"

On Sunday Morning At Plaza

"Ambikapathy," the Tamil talkie which had a good run in Madras and became a great favourite with cine fans is to be released at the Plaza Theatre (Dadar) on Sunday morning. The plot is laid in the 11th century and historic personalities like King Kulottanga, and poets like Kamban and Ottakoothar figure prominently in the picture. Though the story is a tragedy, it is full of love episodes, comic high lights and song hits.

Favourite artistes like M. K. Thiyagaraja Bagavathar Santhanalakshmi, Serukalathur Sama, P. B. Rangachari, N. S. Krishnan and T. S. Baliah are included in the cast.

Banned?

Nizam's Govt.'s Reported Objection To Congress Films

(Special to The "Chronicle").

Though confirmation is lacking it is understood there is some trouble over the exhibition of two topical films in Hyderabad State. These films are "Bombay's Reception To President Subhas Bose" produced by Bombay Talkies and Wadia Movietone's "Haripura Congress Session."

The Nizam's Government according to information available have objected to the release of these news-reels in their dominions and consequently the Hyderabad public have been deprived of an opportunity of seeing these historic events on the screen.

Both these films have been a great success in Bombay and all over India and nowhere has any objection been taken against them.

HAIL AND FAREWELL!

"Kunku" Comes; "Unexpected" Goes

We say good-bye this week to Prabhat's fine picture "Unexpected" which will be withdrawn after Friday on completion of 25 weeks of its run. Prabhat, Shantaram and Shanta Apte may well be pleased with the great success their picture has achieved.

The Marathi version of the same film, "Kunku", is now being shown at the Central and has already been enthusiastically welcomed by Marathi speaking audiences.

TAMIL FILM AT PLAZA

A scene from "Ambikapathi", a Tamil picture which will be shown at Plaza (Dadar) on Sunday morning.

Overhauling Education In Bombay

GOVT. TO APPOINT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Better Provisions For Control Of Primary Education

A bill to amend the Bombay Primary Education Act of 1923 has been published.

In the course of the statement of objects and reason it is mentioned that "as conditions have changed considerably since 1923 and as the expansion of primary education cannot take place on the lines suggested by the original committee. Changes have got to be made for better management and control of the system.

Provision for the establishment of School Boards and Provincial Boards of Education with an Administrative officer as the Chief Executive is the salient feature of the new measure.

Tuesday's "Bombay Government Gazette" publishes a Bill to amend the Bombay Primary Education Act, 1923 to be called the Bombay Primary Education (Amendment) Act, 1938.

PROVINCIAL BOARD.

After section 2 of the said Act the following new section shall be inserted, namely:—

"2A. (1) There shall be a Provincial Board of Education, consisting of twelve members of whom four shall be elected by the School Boards in the manner prescribed and the remaining eight shall be appointed by the Provincial Government. The said members shall hold office for such period as the Provincial Government may direct.

(2) The Provincial Board of Education shall have the following powers and duties, namely:—

(a) to examine, approve and coordinate schemes for the organisation and expansion of primary education and for the correlation of primary education with the system of education as a whole in the Province;

(b) to make recommendations and to advise the Provincial Government with regard to matters specified in sub-section (3) of section 27;

(c) to advise the Provincial Government generally on all matters connected with primary education;

(d) to exercise such other powers as may be conferred on it and to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by rules or by any other law for the time being in force."

SCHOOL BOARD.

For Section 3 of the said Act, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"3. (1) For every local authority there shall be a school board.

(2) The school board shall consist of 12 members elected by the local authority in the manner prescribed. Of such members, at least one shall be a person experienced in education as prescribed, two shall be representatives of minorities and backward communities, and one shall be a representative of women. The remaining eight members shall be persons—

(a) who have passed either the Matriculation examination held by the Bombay University or the Vernacular School Final examination held by the Provincial Government or any other equivalent prescribed examination, or

(b) who possess any other educational qualification as prescribed."

PRIMARY EDUCATION FUND.

After Section 8 of the said Act, the following sections shall be inserted, namely:—

"8A. (1) A fund hereinafter called the Primary Education Fund shall be maintained by each local authority.

(2) The following shall form part of, or be paid into the Primary Education Fund:—

(a) the balance of the Primary Education Fund constituted under the Bombay Primary Education Rules at the date on which the Bombay Primary Education (Amendment) Act, 1938, comes into force,

(b) the grant payable on account of primary education including, in the case of a local authority which is a district local board, the portion of the revenue which is to be devoted to primary education under Section 80 of the Bombay Local Boards Act, 1923,

(c) the grants paid or payable by the Provincial Government on account of primary education,

(d) the contributions of such municipalities in the district as are not local authorities,

(e) fees and fines received from primary schools,

(f) such other sums as may from time to time be received on account of primary education."

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES.

For Section 9 of the said Act, the following shall be substituted, namely:—"9 (1) For every school board there shall be an Administrative Officer. He shall be the chief executive officer of the school board.

(2) The Administrative Officer shall be appointed by and shall be a servant of the Provincial Government. His pay, powers and duties shall be as prescribed."

After Section 9 of the said Act, so substituted, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:—

"9A. The Provincial Government may appoint such officers as may, in its opinion, be necessary to inspect approved schools. The officers so appointed shall be the servants of the Provincial Government. Their pay, powers and duties shall be as may be prescribed."

The Provincial Government may, from time to time, cause inquiry to be made by any of its officers in regard to any local authority or school board on matters connected with primary education concerning them or any matters with respect to which the sanction, approval, consent or order of the Provincial Government is required by or under this Act.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

The object of this Bill is to remove certain difficulties experienced in the working of the Bombay Primary Education Act, 1923, and to make better provision for the management and control of primary education.

The bill also provides for certain deficiencies in the present Act which have become evident of late years.

In the preamble to the Bombay Primary Education Act, 1923, a reference has been made to the Compulsory Education Committee appointed by Government in 1921. As conditions have changed considerably since then and as the expansion of primary education cannot take place on the lines recommended by that Committee, a reference to that Committee has, therefore, been omitted. Other changes have also been made in view of the altered circumstances.

At present there is no statutory body to advise Government in matters educational. It is now considered necessary to have a statutory body to advise Government on matters of primary education.

Clause 5.—Under the Primary Education Act, 1923, composition of the School Board varied from one local authority to another and representation was given to non-local authority municipalities. As it is now intended to allow only large municipalities to function as local authorities a uniform composition of 12 members for the school board is now provided for all local authorities.

Provision has also been made in the amended Section 3 for the appointment of the School Board during the period of supersession of the local authority for which such board was constituted.

The provisions regarding the qualifications and disqualifications and the removal of the members of the School Board are at present contained in Primary Education Rules 13 and 13-A. As those are important provisions they have now been included in the Act itself with slight modifications as Sections 3-A and 3-C.

Clause 13.—With the transfer of control of Primary Education to local authorities under the Primary Education Act, 1923, Government handed over not only the teaching staff but the inspecting staff also and retained only a skeleton inspecting staff of their own.

CARDINAL DEFECT.

Clauses 15 and 16.—A cardinal defect in the present Act is that it contains no provision giving Government power to intervene in cases of gross mismanagement. It was apparently assumed that the control sections of the District Municipal and Local Board Acts would be applicable to school boards. This is not the case and Government can at present exercise control by only reducing grants. Such a course is open to grave objection since it means the interruption of the education of the children without removing the cause of the trouble. It is, therefore, considered necessary to vest Government with powers of control over school boards similar to those at present exercisable over local bodies.

SAMBAMURTI TO SAIL ON APRIL 9

MADRAS, March 29.

Mr. Bulusu Sambamurthi, Speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly will leave Madras on the morning of April 5th next by the Bombay Express for Bombay en route to England.

Mr. Sambamurthi will be reaching Bombay on the morning of the 6th instant at 10-10. He will sail by the P. and O. Boat, s.s. "Strathmore" on the 9th He is expected to be back in Madras on the 21st August next, in time to preside over the Legislative Assembly Session, which is expected to be convened on that day.—United Press.

CONGRESS TO CONTEST D. L. B. ELECTIONS

Huge Number Of Candidates For Congress Nomination

JALGAON, (By Mail.)

The Congress has decided to contest the Triennial general elections to the East Khandesh District Local Board which will be held on May 24. The nomination papers are to be filed from April 1 to 5.

The reconstituted Jalgaon District Local Board has a total membership of 50 of whom six will be elected from the Mahomedan constituency and the rest from the general constituency. Of the latter eight are reserved seats, five for Harijans, two for backward tribes and one for women.

Nominations on the District Board have been abolished. As all the eleven Taluka Boards in the district have now been abolished, the membership has been increased from 40 to 50.

It is understood that the Congress intends to contest all the seats except the Muslim seats. Quite a large number of applications for selection by the Congress have been received.—A. P.

Asked in the Commons whether he intended to propose to the League Council that the Austrian refugees be placed under the League's protection, the Prime Minister said that His Majesty's Government was giving consideration to this question the importance of which was fully appreciated.

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Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, Speaker of the Bombay Assembly, snapped when presiding over the annual gathering of Vile Parle Tilak Vidyalaya on Sunday.

PREVENTION OF PHOOKA PRACTICE

Home Member Introduces Bill In Central Assembly

NEW DELHI, March 28.

The Home Member introduced in the Assembly a bill to amend the Law relating to prevention of cruelty to animals with a view to making a more effective provision for checking the practice of Phooka.

Demands for supplementary grants were continued to-day. During question hour the Foreign Secretary told Mr. Abdul Qaiyum that Mulkichand Sahni of Peshawar, a trader in Iran had been arrested between Mashed and Zahedan on March 9, 1930. According to Sahni's statement he had been carrying a number of gold coins and these coins and his car had been confiscated by the Iranian Customs authorities, the value of which was estimated at Rs. 26,000. Sahni had tried unsuccessfully to lodge an appeal in the various courts in Iran against the order of confiscation. In 1936 his petition had been entertained by the Lower Court in Meshed. His car had been ordered to be released but the action of the Customs authorities in confiscating the gold, had been upheld and he had been sentenced to six months' simple imprisonment. He had appealed against the judgment of the Meshed Lower Court but the result was not yet known.

Mr. Abdul Quaiyum asked: "Have Government taken any steps to help him so far?"

The Foreign Secretary replied that His Majesty's Legation and Consular Officers in Iran were affording him every possible assistance since the case against him had first been instituted.—United Press.

S. G. P. C. Thanks Punjab Governor And Premier

LAHORE, March 28.

The Executive Committee of the Sikh Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee adopted a resolution appreciating the action of the Governor in dis-allowing the Shahidgunj Bill and Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan's action in advising the Governor to do so.

The Committee reiterated its determination to maintain the sanctity and integrity of Shahidgunj Gurdwara at all costs. The resolution adds "on this vital religious issue no compromise is possible."—A.P.

Anasuyabai Kale And Deputation To C. P. Premier

In a Nagpur message issued on March 24 it was reported that Mrs. Anusuyabai Kale was among a deputation who called on Dr. Khare, Premier of the C.P., and demanded the resignation of the Law Minister.

It is now learnt that although Mrs. Kale was present during the Premier's discussions with the deputation, she was not a member of the deputation, neither did she take part in the demonstration which took place earlier.—A.P.

Returned Unopposed

LAHORE, March 28.

Rai Sahib Sohanlal was returned unopposed to the Punjab Assembly in the by-election from the Unorganised Labour constituency, nominations filed by three others being rejected.—United Press.

Andhra peasants arrive in Madras covering 1512 miles on foot and 572 miles by bus to present to the Premier a memorandum of grievances in their district.

"HINDUSTAN STANDARD CASE"

General Manager Released On Bail

CALCUTTA, March 28.

Mr. Makhan Lal Sen, General Manager, "Ananda Bazar Patrika" and "Hindustan Standard" appeared to-day before the Chief Presidency Magistrate to answer a charge of sedition in respect of a speech he is alleged to have delivered at a public meeting on February 4 on the death of the hunger-striking political prisoner, Harendranath Munshi in Dacca Central Jail.

Mr. Sen was released on a bail of Rs. 200. Hearing has been adjourned to April 6.—A.P.

GUJARAT KISAN DELEGATES' MEETING

The first meeting of the delegates elected by the District and Divisional Kisan Sabhas in Gujarat will be held at Godhra in the office of the Khedut Sangha at 1-30 p.m. on April 2nd to elect the members of the All-India Kisan Committee and the President for the Commilla session of the All-India Kisan Sabha. All delegates are requested to attend the meeting.

A notice under the Bengal Public Security Act was served on Pulin Behari Dutta, a barrister of Midnapore, directing him not to leave the limits of the Municipal area without any written permission of the Police Superintendent, not to receive any visitors at his house except those with whom he had business connection, not to participate in or organise public meetings or demonstrations, and not to leave his house between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

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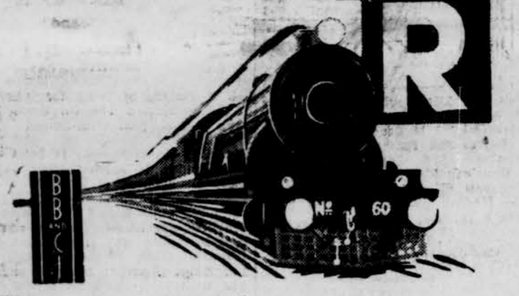

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STANDARD TRADE CONTRACTS

Agricultural Marketing Adviser Calls Conference

NEW DELHI, (By Mail).

Standard contracts for wheat, linseed and groundnuts have been engaging the attention of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India for the last two years.

The Chief object of having standard trade contracts is to reduce within practicable limits the amount of refraction (dirt and other impurities) in the produce and to encourage the sale of clean produce by having a scale of mutual instead of non-mutual allowances inserted in the contract. By making price quotations comparable in different markets standard contracts not only facilitate inter-trading but also make the machinery of distribution much more efficient generally.

With this object in view, three conferences—two at Delhi for wheet and linseed, and one at Bombay for groundnuts—were held in the course of the last two years, and standard contract terms for these commodities were roughly drawn up. Since then, these provisional contracts have been examined in detail by the various interests concerned, and a considerable degree of agreement has been reached in this matter.

The Agricultural Marketing Adviser has, therefore, arranged another conference of the persons concerned. This will take place on 4th April 1938 at the Old Secretariat Buildings, Delhi. The final form of the standard contracts for wheat, linseed and groundnuts will, it is hoped, be agreed to by all the leading associations of traders and manufacturers. The date from which these will begin to operate will also be decided. Representatives of the principal grain trade associations and chambers of commerce in India as well as of several flour and oil mills will attend the meeting.—United Press.

WEAKNESS ON CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Coal Shares Decline

Calcutta, March 25.

Messrs. Bhagwanlal Nanavati and Co., have issued the following report:—

The market during the period under review was, barring coal section, featureless. Prices of coal shares had been fairly well maintained during the earlier part of the week under review but towards the close a weak tendency developed in view of coal prices being reduced in Company managed railway tenders. The Jute section was quiet as a result of the prospects for a settlement in the Jute industry being still obscure. Indian Iron and Steel fluctuated within narrow limits. These shares followed the trend of the Bombay market in Tata deferreds but comparatively were steady as American markets did not exhibit any encouraging trend.

JUTE.

There was nothing of special interest to report. Howrah in sympathy with weak cognate markets could not keep up higher levels the price at one time being lifted to 46/14 as the shares gradually receded to 46 Kamarhatty were quoted at 453, Kanknarrah at 347, Gourepore were taken at 490, Anglo-India touching 286 fell back to 278, Bally and Barnagore were respectively quoted at 163 and 122, Budge-Budge came to business at 240, Belvedere at 306, Fort Gloster were taken at 392, Kelvin were quoted at 412 Ex Div., Clive were marked at 21, National at 20/8, Empire at 22, Presidency at 3/7, Reliance at 57. In Bird group Union changed hands at 315, Dalhousie at 297, Standard at 232, Auckland at 155, Lansdowne at 146, India were marked at 292, Champdany at 141, Orient at 140.

COTTON

This section was quiet but steady. Kesoram found buyers at 7/2, Cawnpore Textiles at 3/14, Bengal Nagpur at 4/8, Elgin at 121.

COAL.

This section was a declining one. Equitables were no better than 34/12, Bengal 305, New Beerbhoom 17/12, Burrakur 13/12, Dhemo Main 10/12, Huriladih 13/8, Lakurka 10/12, East Indian 2/4, West Jamuria 27/8, Raneegunge 33, Pench Valley 35/4, Katras Jherriah 21/12, Central Kurkend 11/4, Bokaro Ramgarh 16, Ex. Amalgamated 23/, Aldih changed hands at Rs. 3, Burra Dhemo at 3/2, Bansra at 3/14, Bengal Giridih at 1/4, Bhulanbararee at 8/12.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Engineering group was quiet but steady, Indian Iron touching 29/14 dropped back to 28/10 to close steady at 29. Saran Engineering shot up to 6/6, to close weak at 6/2. Braithwaite changed hands at 6/8, Burn and Co. ord, were quoted at 255, Steel Corporation of Bengal were done at 5/12, Pref. at 78, Marshalls were good at 1/3, Indian Galvanizing at 20/8, Kumardhubi Eng. ord. at 2/8, Hukumchand Electric at 9/12. Burma Corporation remained unchanged at 6/12, Consolidated Tin were weak at 5/1, Indian Copper were steady at 2/8, B. I. C. ord. were marked 3/8, Rubber ord. fluctuated between 13/4 and 13/8, Bararee Coke changed hands at 14/12, Indian Wood Products at 20/12. The sugar section was a bit steadier. Cawnpore were quoted at Rs. 19/8, Carew at 12/14 C. right. Murree Brewery at 12/8, Champaran at 12/4. B. B. Petroleum found buyers at 3/9. Titaghur Paper ord. "B" were in request at 15/8. Indian Cables changed hands at 11/12, Dalmia Cement ord. at 8/12, Deferred at 2/10. Indian Malleable Casting ord. were quoted at 5/12. Deferred at 1/14. Calcutta safe deposit were priced at 5/12. Rhodesian Copper were done at 1/11. Reserve Bank were marked at 116/8.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, March 29.

BANKS.	
Baroda	114/12
Bank of Hindusthan	34/8
Central	31/6
Imperial Bank F. P.	1535
Imperial Bank P.P.	381/4
Indian Bank	142/8
Indian Overseas Bank	49
Reserve Bank	116/4
Union Bank	5/14
INSURANCE	
Empire	852/8
Jupiter	13/8
New India	38/8
Oriental	4350
Vulcan	7/6
RAILWAYS	
Ahm. Prantij	921/4
Central Provinces	99
Pachora Jamner	94
Tapti Valley	727/8
TEXTILES	
Ambica	1460
Arun	425
Arvind	1220
Asok	390
B. Dyeing	865
Buckingham and Carnatics	202/8
Calico	680
Century	247/8
Central India	236/4
Colaba	167/8
Delhi Cloth and Gen. Mills	300
Elgin	212
Gokak	158/12
Indore	6b
Jubilee	209/6
Kohinoor	291/4
Laxmi Cotton	535
Mysore	105
Marsden	108/12
Morarji	1105
New Great	241/8
Naipur	720
Rajnagar	337/8
Simplex	83/2
Swadeshi	816/4
Sajjan	97/8
Vishnu	1310
Madhusudan	200
Khatau	123/12
HYDRO ELECTRIC	
Andhra Valley Ord.	1400
Tata Hydro Ord.	143/12
Tata Power Ord.	1357/8
ELECTRIC	
Ahmedabad Electrics	140/16
Bombay Suburban	160
Bombay Tram.	123/12
Surat	168/12
Ajmer	12/8
MISCELLANEOUS	
Alcock Ashdown	340
Associated Cements	119/8
Belapur	156/4
Bombay Burma New	201/4
Bombay Burma Old	575
Bombay Steam	242/8
Bombay Telephone	93
Burma Corporation	6/6
Br. B. Petrol	3/6
Dalmia Cement	8/15
Indian Bleaching	136/4
Industrial Investment Tr.	44/6
Indian Radio Ord.	425
Indian Radio Defd.	527/8
Indian Copper	2/4
Indian Iron	28
Mysore Sugar	23/8
Port Canning	675
Premier Construction	71/12
Scindia Steam	20
Shivrajpur	44/4
Tata Oil	31/8
Tata Steel Ord	233
Tata Steel Defd	1002/8
JUTES.	
Birla Jute	16/4
Howrah	46
Hukumchand	7
Kamarhatty	450
Kankanarrah	346
Lawrence	340
Reliance	57

WALL STREET MARKET

New York, March 28

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotation of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars.
Amr Forn Power Gold D 5 per cent	41
Electric Power and Light	7
Electric P and Light 7 per cent Pfd	26
Electric Bond Common	5
Electric Bond 5 per cent Pfd	43
Electric Bond 6 per cent Pfd	46
Consolidated (Gas) Edison	18
Columbia Gas and Elec	6
United Corporation	2
Northern S Power A	8
American Tel and Tel	115 3/4
Western Union Telg	19
Chesapeake and Ohio Rly	25
New York Central Rly	11
Firestone Rubber	18
Int Tel and Tel 4 1/2 per cent	78
Amr Can	79
Firestone 6 per cent Pfd	79
Houdaille Hershey 2 1/2 per cent A	20
Bethelehem Steel	47
Ludlum Steel	14
National Steel	48
Republic Steel	13
United S Steel	44 1/4
Amr Car Foundry	16
United S Smelting	48
Anaconda Copper Mining	26
Int Nickel of Canada	45 1/2
Chrysler Motors	42
General Motors	30
General Electric	31 1/4
Union Carbide	65
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2
Socony Oil	11 3/4
Chase Bank	26 1/2
National City Bank	20 1/2
Graham Page	1
Eaton Mfg	12
Pullman	23

Market improved slightly. Government winning Ebesco Case in Supreme Court. Steel works in U. S. Steel working 35.7 per cent against last week 33.7. Passage senate reorganisation bill considered new deal victory might have unfavourable reaction but market action suggests climax either reached or very near and leaders like Steel Gen. Motors approaching resistance levels.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 28

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£72 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	277
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£90 1/2
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£112 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£73 5/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£100 1/2
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	£101 1/2
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£111
Victory Bonds	£109 3/8
Chartered Bank of India, A and China	£11 3/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	£39
London reg	£39
National Bank of India	£39 3/8
P and O Banking Corporation	£9 5/8

LONDON SEEDS

London, March 28

Linseed La Plata Hull c.i.f. ton	
March sellers	£12-2-6
Linseed Calcutta London c.i.f. ton	
March sellers	£13-10-0
Linseed Bombay London c.i.f. ton	
March sellers	£14-1-3
Rapeseed Toria Hull Cont c.i.f. ton	
March sellers	£12-2-6
Castorseeds Bombay Hull c.i.f. ton	
March sellers	£12-0-0

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 28

T T London on:—	
New York	4.96
Paris	164.56
Berlin	12.36 1/4
Madrid	80.00
Montreal	4.96 3/4
Amsterdam	8.96 29/32
Brussels	29.42 1/2
Milan	94.22
Berne	21.66 1/2
Prague	142.03

LONDON PRODUCE

London, March 28

Whea Rozario Santa Fe parcels	
April May sellers	37/3
Wheat Barletta Russo parcels	
April May sellers	37/1 1/2
Wheat South Australian parcels	
April sellers	33/6

LINSEED OIL

London, March 28

Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
April sellers	28/6
Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
May Aug sellers	29/6

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LATEST

Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON 18 POINTS DOWN

Threatened Abrogation By U. S. A. Of Silver Pact With Mexico

BOMBAY, March 29.

NEW YORK COTTON.

Market was depressed by discouraging Bombay and Liverpool cables while weakness of Stock market further disheartened operators with result that prices fell steadily.

LONDON SILVER.

The threatened abrogation by U. S. A. of silver pact with Mexaco has been causing a great nervousness and anxiety in the world silver markets. There was heavy Continental and Speculative selling in the London market with the result that prices suffered a sharp fall.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT.

Prices advanced on higher cables from abroad while better Australian enquiry and keen milling interest imparted further strength.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

Prices advanced on speculative purchases influenced by spirited Overseas cables.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MAY 1938

New York, March 29.

Previous closing	8.73
To-day's opening	8.70
Difference	—.03
To-day's closing	8.55
Difference	—.18

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MAY 1938.

Liverpool, March 29.

Previous closing	4.88
To-day's opening	4.85
Difference	—.03
To-day's closing	4.82
Difference	—.06

BROACH EXPECTATION

New April May ..... Rs. 163

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, March 29.

New York cotton was depressed by discouraging Bombay and Liverpool cables while weakness of stock market further disheartened operators with result that prices feel steadily.

Trading in May commenced at 8.70 i.e. three points lower than previous closing prices declined on lower Liverpool and outside hedging with Liverpool and Bombay selling with May falling to 8.65.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 29.

The following were the opening ranges:—

May (8.74/8.74) 8.70/8.70
July (8.81/8.80) 8.75/8.74
October (8.85/8.84) 8.79/8.79

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, March 29.

January (4.85) 4.79
March (4.88) 4.84
January (6.78) 6.68
March (6.75) 6.67

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 29.

Trading in Broach commenced at Rs. 167/4 with orders about evenly divided there little movements in prices which kept steady tone subsequently some improvement followed but demand in general was slow closed steady July August at Rs. 167/12.

COMMODITIES

LONDON MARKETS

London, March 29.

The rates at 2-30 p.m. were as follows:—

TEA

Indian Pekoe (1-1) 1
Indian Pekoe higher (1-6) 1-3 1/4
Ceylon Pekoe (1-2) 1-2
Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-1) 2-1

JUTE

First marks C.I.F Continent New Crop (18 1/4 sellers) 18 1/16 paid sellers
Dundee March (£20 3/4) £20 3/4
Lightning March (£19 3/4) £19 3/4

RUBBER

Spot (6 1/8 buyers) 6 1/4 value
Forward July September (6 1/4 paid buyers) 6 3/4 paid value

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay March April (£12 sellers) £11 7/8 sellers
Linseed Calcutta March (£13 9/16 sellers) £13 1/2 sellers.
Linseed La Plata March (£12 1/8 sellers) £12 1/4 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal April (£10 1/8 sellers) £10 1/16 sellers

METALS

LONDON METALS

London, March 29.

Tin (£183 buyers £183 1/8 sellers. Easy) £182 1/2 buyers £182 5/8 sellers. Steady.

Lead (£16 5/16 buyers £16 7/16 sellers. Very steady) £16 5/16 buyers £16 3/8 sellers. Steady.

Electric Copper (£42 1/2 to £43 1/2) £42 3/4 to £43 3/4

Iron (112) 112

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T. New York On London

New York, March 29.

Previous closing	4.96 1/4
To-day's opening	4.97 3/16
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.97 1/2

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, March 29.

Previous closing	4.96.00
To-day's opening	4.96.62
To-day's closing	4.97.37

FRANC RATE

London, March 29.

Previous closing	164.56
To-day's opening	163.75
To-day's closing	162.93

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 29.

London exchanges opened with sterling dollar at 4.96.62 and then improved to 4.96.68 with movements rather restricted and far between.

Franc opened at 163.75 and then appreciated to 163.50 on some support.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6 1/8) 1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay (12.420) 12.286
New York on Bombay (37.45) 37.45
Berlin on Bombay (0.93 1/4) 0.93 1/4
London on Milan (94.20) 94.48
London on Shanghai (0-11 1/2) 1-0 1/2 sellers
London on Kobe (1-1 31/32) 1-1 31/32

DISCOUNTS

3 months (17/32 per cent to 9/16 per cent) 17/32 per cent to 9/16 per cent
4 months (9/16 per cent to 9/16 per cent) 9/16 per cent to 9/16 per cent
6 months (9/16 per cent to 5/8 per cent) 5/8 per cent to 5/8 per cent.

BULLION

SILVER CABLES

Bombay, March 29.

The following cable information was received from London:—

"Continent sold. Speculators sold and bought market at decline uncertain."

LONDON SILVER

London, March 29.

Spot	(19 5/8d) 18 3/8d.
Forward	(19 7/16d) 18 1/8d.

LONDON GOLD

London, March 29.

London Gold Fine per ounce (£7-0-3) £6-19-11

BOMBAY BULLION

Bombay, March 29.

10 p.m. quotations:—	Rs.	a.	p.
Silver ready	48	0	0
Silver Chaitra	48	1	0
Silver Vaishakh	48	2	6
Gold ready	34	13	6
Gold Chaitra	34	12	6
Gold Vaishakh	34	11	9
Sovereign	22	13	0

WHEAT

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, March 29.

Liverpool wheat opened firm May 81 1/2 July 81 1/4 prices advanced on higher overnight cables from abroad while better Australian enquiry and keep milling interest imparted further strength.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, March 29.

Chicago wheat opened steady with May at 0.86 1/2. Prices were well sustained on scattered speculative purchases prompted by strength abroad.

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotation

Bombay, March 29.

10 p.m. quotations—	Rs	a.	p
Wheat May	4	7	3
Wheat September	4	7	9
Linseed May	7	9	9
Linseed September	7	11	0

3½ P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotations

Bombay, March 29.

The 3 1/2 per cent Government paper closed finally at Rs. 97-12-0 at 5 p.m.

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, March 29.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at 90 3/4

INDIAN LOANS

London, March 29. 2-30 p.m.

3 per cent Indian (£99) £99
3 1/2 per cent Indian (£90 3/4) £91
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£112 1/2) £112
4 1/2 per cent Indian 1958-68 (£116) £115 3/4
4 per cent Indian 1948-68 (£107 3/4) £108
5 per cen Indian 1942-47 (£111 1/2) £111 1/2
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£103 1/2) £103 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/70 (£107 1/2) £107 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£73 3/4) £73 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 5/8) £100 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£106) £106
5 per cent Funding Loan (£111 1/8) £110 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£101 5/8) £101 3/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£109 3/8) £110 5/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 29.

London Stock Exchange was quiet in absence of any special feature Giltedged securities continued to be in request three and a half quoted at 91 i.e. ten shillings higher than previous closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (12-10 1/2) 12-10 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (48-9) 48-9
Hydro Electric (3 5/8) 3 5/8
Elec Music Industry (12-6) 11-9
Princhin Johnson (29-4 1/2) 29-4 1/2
Imperial Chemical (30-0) 30-0
Woolsworth New Ordinary (60-9) 60-9
Sao Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£27) £27
Dunlop Rubber (27-0) 26-7 1/2
Unilever Ordinary (34-4 1/2) 34-4 1/2
Ford Motors (21-0) 20-1 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£58 3/4) £58
British American Tobacco Ordinary (£95) £95
Carreas 'A' (£6 3/4) £6 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (132-6) 132-6
P. and O. S. N. Company Deferred (20-0) 19-6
Distillers (91-3) 91-3
Bradfords Dyers (4-6) 4-6
British Celanese (3-9) 3-9
J and P Coates Ordinary (36-10 1/2) 36-10 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (39-0) 38-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (4-7 1/2) 4-7 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary (21-10 1/2) 21-10 1/2
Inter Nickels (45) 45
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (43-9) 42-6
Tata Steel Debenture (£104) £104

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (18-1 1/2) 17-6
Donaro Tea (40) 40
Empire of India (27-6) 27-0

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (22-3) 21-0
Gula Kelampong (18-9) 18-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (21-0) 20-4 1/2

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£9) £9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (40) 40
Burma Corporation (9-6) 9-6
Rio Tintos (£13 3/8) £13 3/4
East Rand Proprietors (51-10 1/2) 51-10 1/2
Rand Mines (£8) £8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15) £15
Associated Portlands (73-1 1/2) 73-1 1/2
Trinidad Leaseholds (87-6) 86-3
Sub Nigel (£9 3/4) £9 3/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (26-3) 26-3
Union Corporation (£7 3/8) £7 3/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (22-6) 21-3
Anglo Iranian (71-3) 71-3
Burma Oil (99-4 1/2) 99-4 1/2
Mexican Eagle (4-0) 4-0
Shell Transport (80-0) 78-1 1/2
Royal Dutch (£34 3/8) £33 1/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, March 29.

To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

U S Steel Common (dol 44 1/4) dol 42 3/8
General Motors (dol 29 1/2) dol 29 1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining (do) 25 1/8) dol 25
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 95 1/2

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotation

Liverpool, March 29.

Liverpool wheat market closed to-day at March 81 5/8.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Wheat Firm: Rubber Weak: Wall-Street Opens Flat

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, March 29.

The Stock Exchange was very quiet and lower in view of the unconvincing nature of yesterday's Wall Street actions.

Giltedged securities recorded fractional losses.

Oils were weak on Continental offerings.

Commodities:—Wheat was firm on less Australian pressure together with demand for actuals; Rubber was weak on outside liquidation and disappointment. Then there was no reduction in export quota.

Foreign Exchanges:—Dollar eased on continental repatriation of funds, Partly owing to weakness of Wall Street and partly owing to better European political outlook.

Wall Street opened flat.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET

Jutes Rule Quiet

CALCUTTA, March 29.

Jutes ruled quiet and only limited business took place. Coals were easier feeling still pervaded in this section although business is reported on moderate scale. Teas were more or less neglected. Miscellaneous disclosed no fresh features only speculative leader Indian irons after opening quiet improved slightly as the day progressed other shares exhibited very little importance. Government securities were unchanged.

Securities:—Three per cent G.P. 89/12 three and a half per cent G.P. 97/13 four and a half per cent loan 1955/60 118/4 small odd lot. Three per cent U.P. 196 98/8.

Banks:—Imperial conty 382 small lot, Reserve 117/4; Bukhtiarpur Bihar Rly. 66; Elgin Mill ord 126.

Coals:—Bengal 304 small lot Dhemo Main 9/6 Equitable 34/6; East Indian 22/2; Hurriladih 12/2; Lakurka 11/6; Mundulpore 7/6; North Damuda 5/14; Ondal 9; South Karanpura 4/9; Union 20/4 c div; West Jamuria 25/12, Burrakur pref 133; Jainty Central 1/5; Khas Kajora 9/14; New Manbhoom 24 small odd lot; Standard 31/8 small lot; Talcher 1/5,

Jutes:—Anglo-India ord 278 do pref 144; Barnagore 119; Caledonian pref 140; Champdany 139; Clive 21/4 small ddd lot Delta 338; Empire 20/14 small lot; Howrah 45/4; Kamarhatty 450; National 20/8; Northbrook 33/4; Presidency 3/9; Reliance pref 149; Waverley pref 35 small lot.

Miscellaneous:—Burma Corpn. 6/7; Consolidated tin 5/3; Indian copper 2/4; Rhodesia copper 1/12; Burn and Co., six per cent pref 121 small lot; Hukumchand steel ord 9/8; do defd 2/8 c div Indian iron 28/1; Marshalls 1/4; Steel Corpn pref 77/8; Ct Triton Insurance 247; B.I. Corpn. ord 3/10; Dunlop rubber ord 13/8 do first pref 122; Rohtas Industries 20/12; British Burma Petrol 3/6; British Ceylon Corpn. 6/7; Bengal paper ord 96; c div Titaghur paper pref ord 4/2; do b ord 16/8; Humayun property defd 1/7; Midnapore zemindary 83/8 small lots; Carew and Co. 12/14 c right.

Teas:—Baradighi 41/4; c div Kurseong and Darjeeling 9; Margarets Hope 92 ex div.

Debenture:—Five and a quarter per cent 1938/50 Rohtas industries 100/2.—A. P.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 29th March 1938. Total amount offered was Rs .3,34,75,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-10-0 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-9-9 allotted approximately 79 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 1,00,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 1-8-9 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 5th April 1938. Successful tenderers should make payment on Thursday, the 7th April 1938. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 25th March 1938, Treasury Bills for Rs. 17-00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

FIRE IN CHEMISTS' SHOP

Damage Due To Combustion Of Chemicals

Hardly had 15 minutes passed after a chemist and druggist shop at Princess Street, Bombay, was closed on Tuesday night when a fire broke out in the shop. The cause of the fire is believed to be spontaneous combustion of chemicals stored in the shop. The fire was extinguished within 10 minutes. Damage is estimated at Rs. 12,000 and the wares are stated to be covered by insurance.

Adjournment Disallowed In Punjab Assembly

LAHORE, March 29.

In the Punjab Assembly today, the Speaker disallowed the adjournment motion of Sardar Sohan Singh Joshe to discuss the externment order served on Mr. A. K. Ghosh.

The Speaker stated that he was not going to allow the adjournment on the last day of discussion on Government grants and that the mover could move his motion later.—United Press.

Telephone Company's Progress

Net Profit Of Over 24 Lakhs: Dividend Of 8 P. C. And Bonus To Staff

At the Sixteenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Bombay Telephone Company held on Tuesday under the chairmanship of Mr. R. H. Parker, a dividend of 8 per cent was declared leaving a balance of Rs. 2, 74,109-13-5.

A bonus of Rs. 90,000 to staff was declared.

Mr. R. H. Parker in his speech said:—

I rise to move the adoption of the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1937 which have been in your hands for some days and which with your permission I will take as read.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

The net profit amounted to Rs. 24,42,412 as against Rs. 23,66,879 in respect of the year 1936.

The rentals for telephone connections accrued during the year amounted to Rs. 43.52 lacs comparing with Rs. 37.93 lacs for the year 1936.

INCOME TAX

The Company was assessed to Income Tax and Super Tax in respect of the financial year 1937-38 in a sum of Rs. 3,40,873 and this amount has been charged against the profits of the year 1937.

EXPANSION

We had a record increase in the number of lines working during the year 1937, viz., 2,268 Exchange Lines, our previous record having been in the year 1935 when the increase was 1,534 Exchange Lines. It is interesting to note that in 1932 after the Company had been working for 50 years the number of Exchange Lines in Bombay, Karachi and Ahmedabad was only about 10,000 while during the next 5 years between 1932 and 1937, there was an increase of more than 7,000. The urban population of India is evidently realising more and more the great utility and the low cost of telephone service both for business and domestic purposes. The Calling Rates averaging 23 completed calls per Exchange Line per 24 hours on the systems which the Company operates are exceedingly high and indicate clearly the very large amount or use which the average subscriber gets in return for his subscription, be it Rs. 12 a month for a Party Line in a residence or Rs. 25 a month for a Business Exchange Line.

Your Directors have again recommended a final dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, making a total of 8 per cent. for the year without deduction of Income Tax. This will leave Rs. 2,74,109 to be carried forward to next year's account.

EFFICIENCY OF THE SYSTEM

I mentioned last year that the chief troubles from which we suffer are the very high calling rate to which I have just referred and inaccurate dialling.

So far as the high calling rate is concerned, it is essential that every subscriber should have an adequate number of lines to carry his traffic.

I would also appeal once again to all subscribers to see that out-of-date Directories are not used. The only safe course is to have them destroyed.

PROBLEMS OF OUR FISHNG

(Continued from Page 6.)

ing these "schemes". Complex as the entire problem unquestionaly appears to be, its solution must depend almost entirely on the real factors that constitute it—the factor of the position of and share in the industry of the individual producer, the factor of the consumer of fish and the factor of the economy of production and marketing of fish.

Technique Of Production

The question of improvement of fishing nets and other implements has been considered before and the unanimous conclusion of competent investigators is that hardly any improvement is called-for in the present-day technique at least as it is employed by coastal fishermen of the Konkan. The design of "rampan" and other nets perfected by these fishermen has indeed been adopted further down the Konkan coast in the South and judged by actual results, one cannot help expressing the profoundest scepticism about the possibility of improving the existing technique.

It is useless to find fault with our so-called "primitive" fishing when the scheme-mongering "experts" are confronted with the statistics of the governmental fish curing yards which indicate, if anything, production of fish over and above the highest level of distribution. There is no reason to suppose that production has ever been deficient even when the fishermen present themselves as a ruined class of producers.

Paradox Of Plenty

Production cannot exist in itself as an ideal and the tragic spectacle of Brazil burning 70 per cent. of the coffee it has produced at this moment with a view to control economic prices can prove a warning even to our highest paid "experts" in fisheries. The fault lies of course with the system of distribution under which the individual fisherman does not reap the fruits of his labours, the individual citizen pays an exorbitant price at least in the cities like Bombay and the middleman of the trade, the powerful "ring" that broke even Government once before, flourishes, thanks to lack of organization which the academicians of fisheries chasing gaudy butterflies of solve-quick and expensive "schemes" have done nothing so far to remedy.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, March 29.

Anchor Line s.s. Elysia of 4211 reg tons Capt J Dunlop arrived from Liverpool via Port Said Suez and Aden with passengers and general cargo.

B I S N s.s. Queda of 4760 reg tons Capt J T Gregory arrived from Akyab via Colombo Tuticorin Malabar Coast Ports and Cannanore in ballast.

Lloyd Triestino s.s. Victoria of 7145 reg tons Capt A Capurro arrived from Genoa via Naples Port Said and Djibouti with passengers and general cargo

SAILED

O S Kaisha's s.s. Himalaya Maru of 3187 reg tons Capt T Kawamata sailed for Kobe via Penang and Singapore with passengers local and same bottom cargo.

B I S N s.s. Gairsoppa 3227 reg tons Capt C L Hazeldine sailed for Rangoon via Tuticorin and Colombo with local cargo

Lloyd Triestino s.s. Victoria of 7145 reg tons Capt A Capurro sailed for Shanghai via Colombo Singapore and Manila with passengers local and same bottom cargo.

P and O S N s.s. Saudan of 3477 reg tons Capt C L Collings sailed for Kobe via Colombo and China Japan Ports with passengers local and same bottom cargo

Scindia Steam Nvg. s.s. Jalavihar of 3381 reg tons Capt J A Goldworthy sailed for Moulmein in water ballast.

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 29-3-38.

S S Viceroy of India (MM) for Europe and American Ports via Aden Port Sudan and London.

S S Corfu (MM) for China Japan Ports via Colombo and Penang and Singapore.

S S Nagato Maru (NYK) for China Japan Ports via Hongkong and Singapore

S S Mirzapore (MM) for China Japan Ports via Karachi Hongkong Colombo and Singapore.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

Alexandra Dock

Bombay, March 29.

2 C/Hongkong 6071 Karachi 2-4 K Nixon
5 Naples Maru 4225 Karachi 31-3 O S Kaisha
6 Birkenfels 3851 Karachi 30-3 L Edwards
7 Soudan 3477 Yokohama 29-3 M M
9 Elysia 4211 Karachi 4-4 Anchor Line
11 California 9930 Liverpool 31-3 Anchor Line
14 Stavros 2893 Port Said for Orders 1-4 L Dreyfus
15 Himalaya Maru 3187 Japan 29-3 O S K
16 Takliwa 3742 Durban 30-3 M M

Victoria Dock

1 Bankura 1896 Busra 30-3 M M
4 Vasna 2026 Busra 31-3 M M
10-11 Ryuyo Maru 4737 Karachi 30-3 N Y Kaisha

PRINCE'S DOCK

A Jalavihar 3381 Moulmein 29-3 Scindia S N
B Hashemi 298 M Coast 1-4 S Hassum
C/R Begum 3656 Bassein 30-3 T Morrison
D/E Gharinda 3212 NF 30-3 M M
F Sonavati 968 NF NF B S N
M El Madina 1628 Jeddah N F Scindia S N

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Strathallan 7-4-38 P and O S N
Soudan 25-3-38 M M
Strathnaver 14-4-38 P and O S N
Cathay 21-3-38 P and O S N
Corfu 31-3-38 P and O S N
Viceroy of India 31-3-38 P and O S N

FROM HULL

Kioto 25-3-38 J Finlay

FROM LIVERPOOL

Circassia 8-4-38 Anchor Line
City of Barcelona 5-4-38 K Nixon

FROM HAMBURG

Kybfels 2-4-38 L Edwards

FROM GOTHENBURG

Canton 5-4-38 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres Polk 14-4-38 F F Campbell
Pres Harrison 31-3-38 F F Campbell
Steel Engineer 2-4-38 M M

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Verde 20-4-38 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Moncalieri 2-4-38 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Borneo Maru 8-4-38 O S Kaisha
Conte Rosso 14-4-38 L Triestino
Venice Maru 25-3-38 Volkart Bros
Naples Maru 26-3-38 O S Kaisha
Conte Biancamano 31-3-38 L Triestino
Nagat Maru 22-3-38 N Y Kaisha
Mirzapore 30-3-38 P and O S N

FROM BASRA

Bamora 31-3-38 M M
Varsova 1-4-38 M M

FRO SYDNEY

Strathallan 7-4-38 P and O S N

FROM DURBAN

Tairea 16-4-38 M M
Kenya 2-4-38 M M

FROM AKYAB

Surada 28-3-38 M M

FROM CALCUTTA

Chyebassa 29-3-38 M M
Gambhira 3-4-38 M M
Gambada 5-4-38 M M

FROM BASSEIN

Gharinda 26-3-38 M M

FROM RANGOON

Jalaveera 26-3-38 Scindia S N

FROM KARACHI

Vita 31-3-38 M M
Dalgoma 31-3-38 M M

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Viceroy of India 2-4-38 P and O S N
Somali NF P and O S N
Strathmore 9-4-38 P and O S N
Strathnaver 16-4-38 P and O S N
Narkunda 23-4-38 P and O S N
Stratheden 30-4-38 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

Elysia 15-4-38 Anchor Line
City of Simla 4-4-38 K Nixon
Circassia 22-4-38 Anchor Line

FOR NEW YORK

Pres Harrison 1-4-38 F F Campbell
City of Khios 27-3-38 F F Campbell
Venice Maru 27-3-38 Volkart Bros
Pres Polk 15-4-38 F F Campbell

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 14-4-38 L Triestino

FOR GENOA

Conte Biancamano 31-3-38 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Nagato Maru 5-4-38 N Y Kaisha
Conte Verde 20-4-38 L Triestino
Naplo Maru 11-4-38 O S Kaisha
Ryuyo Maru 15-4-38 N Y Kaisha
Corfu 31-3-38 P and O S N
Borneo Maru 23-4-38 O S Kaisha
Soudan 29-3-38 M M

FOR SYDNEY

Strathallan 7-4-38 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Bamora 6-4-38 M M
Vasna 31-3-38 M M

FOR DURBAN

Kenya 13-4-38 M M
Takliwa 30-3-38 M M

FOR JEDDAH

El Madina N F Scindia S N

FOR RANGOON

Gairsoppa 28-3-38 M M

FOR KARACHI

City of Hongkong 2-4-38 K Nixon
Slysia 4-4-38 Anchor Line
Vita 2-4-38 M M
Birkenfels 30-3-38 L Edwards

B P I GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Chyebassa 28-3-38
S S Soudan 28-3-38
S S City of Khios 26-3-38
S S Bankura 28-3-38
S S Vasna 28-3-38
S S Kalavati 28-3-38
S S Parvati 29-3-38

EXPORTS.

Bombay, March 29.

S S Viceroy of India for London: 5925 bags linseed The Oil Seeds Trading; 13 bales goat skins-tanned Abdul Karim Abdul Rasool; 8 bales goat skins-tanned F Janmahomed; 14 bales sheep skins-tanned F Janmahomed; 8 bales sheep skins-tanned M R Shaffi; 8 bales goat skins-tanned M R Abdulla; 10 bales cow hides-tanned P E Boyce and Son; 386 pcs laurel wood scantling McKenzies; 200 bdls aluminium ingots Jeewanlal (1829) 10 cases bristles Cox and Kings (Agents); 246 bags gr nut seed R Ratilal; 100 bales cotton fly L O Vora; 1186 bags linseeds M Bhuta; 62 bags gr nut kernels M Bhuta.

S S Elysia for Liverpool: 20 bales raw wool F Janmahomed; 120 bags corriander seed B Balwant; 54 bags kang grain B Balwant; 51 dms castor oil A Hargovindas; 25 bales cotton twist waste M Narotamdas; 17 bales wool raw H A Mohomed; 186 bales cotton fly Sapt T Products (India); 125 bales raw cotton Patel Cotton.

For Manchester: 26 dms castor oil A Hargovindas; 200 bales cotton twist waste V P Maskai; 187 bales raw cotton K Devchand; 725 bales raw cotton Anderson Clayton; 100 bales cotton fly L O Vora; 125 bales cotton fly Sapt T Products (India),

For Glasgow: 76 dms castor oil A Hargovindas.

S S City of Hongkong for Liverpool: 100 bales cotton twist waste L O Vora; 1370 bags gr nut oil cake T Popatbhai; 672 bags gr nut oil cake M B Kaisha; 100 bales raw cotton Eastern Wool Trading.

For Glasgow: 2800 bags gr nut oil cake H Rawji.

For Antwerp: 7 bdls calf skins D Abraham; 5600 bags gr nut oil cake H Rawji.

For Dunkerk: 12 bales goat skins D Abraham.

IMPORTS.

M V Velox Agent M Mackenzie from Tampico: 10430 dms asphalt; 12137 dms shelmac

M S Akagison Maru Agent M B Kaisha from Yokohama: 85 cases silk yarn; 1125 cases beer; 200 bags stick ulphur; 275 cases grey cotton shirting; 60 cases rayon yarn; 100 cases slates.

From Nagoya: 596 cases tiles; 346 cases glassware; 114 cases clocks; 130 cases rayon yarn.

From Moji: 119 dms aniline dye; 169 bales printing paper.

From Colombo: 750 bags copra.

From Osaka: 225 bags dextrine; 100 bags stearine wax; 100 bags hardened fish oil; 750 bags double super phosphate; 60 cases play cards; 282 case glassware.

RAJA DHANRAJGIR'S PARTY

Raja Dhanrajgir Raja Narsinggirji gave an "At Home" at Dhanraj Mahal, Apollo Bunder, on Tuesday night. It was a very pleasant function at which large number of prominent citizens were present.

New York Cotton Steady On Local Buying

LIVERPOOL AND BOMBAY SELLING

Textiles Quiet But Stocks Reduced

Bombay, March 29.

On Monday the New York cotton market though quiet due to the desire of traders to await developments in Washington, showed a steady undertone owing to sizeable trade fixing in nearby positions and steadier stock market.

The market opened steady. Locals rebought after selling early and there were offerings credited chiefly to foreign account with Liverpool and Bombay more prominent sellers presumably for straddle reversing with differences very wide for the present movement. Textiles were quiet but stocks are being reduced.

At the opening May was quoted 2 points up at 8.74 and soon was quoted 8.78 which was the highest level. Later on there was increased selling and prices declined to 8.70 which was the lowest level. The market fluctuated within a narrow range and finally closed at a net decline of 3 points to a rise of 2 points. Spot cotton prices advanced one point at 8.79c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet but steady and closed at a rise of 2 points to unchanged. Spot cotton prices advanced 2 points at 8.97c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a rise of 5 points with May 4.59. The market was dull and business was confined chiefly to spot house switching operations. Contracts were scarce. Later on there was small straddle buying against New York and trade calling otherwise the market was apathetic. The market closed at a rise of 5 points. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced 4 points at 5d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Egyptian cotton futures were steady. Giza closed 2 points down to 3 points up. Uppers were one point higher. The Alexandria market was quiet and closed at a rise of 1 to 4 points.

Messrs. Ratilal and Co. state:—

In the very beginning of this week, the price for May delivery in the New York market reacted to 8.85 cents from last week's decline. The reason assigned for this was that the European situation was not as bad as it was taken to be last week-end, so that the previous day's sellers covered their sales.

However, owing to the final Ginning report for the last season's crop being large and owing to adverse conditions of the mills in U.S.A., this rapid advance in prices could not be maintained, and during this very week the prices for May delivery again receded to 9.49 cents. After this decline, the prices again improved on buying, especially by Bombay.

During this week, the final Ginning Report for the last season's crop was published in U.S.A, which shows the ginning of 1,89,34,000 bales of 500 lbs each and 1,82,42,000 running bales.

U. S. MILLS.

It is reported here that taking into account the worsening condition of American Mills, the U.S.A. Government has dropped the proposal of imposing the Processing Tax. There seems to be the fear that the Government will have to impose some other tax in substitution to provide for the sum to be given as payments to growers for reducing the acreage. Owing to this fear, the New York Stock Exchange continues to be depressed. This weakness of the Stock Exchange affects the cotton prices also. After the controller General's ruling nullifying Senator Smith's amendment providing 2 cents subsidy payments to growers, the Agricultural Committee of the Senate has, during the week, passed an amendment in the Farm Act giving a quarter cent bonus to the growers who give up their title to loan cotton to C.C.C. After this the latest news indicate that the Government will oppose many amendments proposed in the Farm Act. The main reason of this opposition on the part of the Government appears to be the financial difficulties in providing such payments.

The date for putting cotton into loan which expires on 31st March, has been extended up to 1st July, 1938.

As for the new crop, the latest news are that the fertilisers have been extensively used and that the weather also is on the whole good.

POLITICAL SITUATION.

The political situation has not worsened further during the week. The French Government have promised help to Czechoslovakia in the event of German attack on it, while the British premier in his yesterday's statement on Britain's Foreign policy has declared that Britain was not prepared to give any such promise to any country at present, but that Britain will even risk war when its vital interests are concerned. In addition to this, the Prime Minister in his speech laid great stress on the necessity of the increase in Britain's armaments. This shows that Britain possesses less war materials in comparision with other nations.

Hitler does not seem to have decided anything about Czechoslovakia at present, after the recent annexation of Austria with Germany. But it is thought that sooner or later it might meet with the same fate as Austria. As a sign of this possibility the present Government in Czecholovakia is losing strength. If Hitler invades Czechoslovakia, France should come to its help as promised by her and if this happens, the other powers in Europe will have to be involved in this war. The effect of this on business will be to impair confidence.

Local Market: In the beginning of the week it remained firm on the strength of the New York market, but later seeing the weakness of that market the longs who had held cotton on talks of corner in this market sold their cotton as low as Rs. 162 for Broach A/May despite there still being talk of a corner. This liquidation by the bulls led to some improvement in the technical position of the market,

SUMMER TIME AND EASTER HOLIDAYS

GREAT BRITAIN ADOPTS SUMMER TIME ON SUNDAY, APRIL 10, AND NEW YORK AND CANADA ON SUNDAY APRIL 24.

GOOD FRIDAY FALLS ON APRIL 15 AND EASTER MONDAY ON APRIL 18. FROM APRIL 11, MONDAY, LIVERPOOL COTTON AND LIVERPOOL WHEAT WILL BE RECEIVED IN INDIA ONE HOUR EARLIER IN RELATION TO THE INDIAN STANDARD TIME.

ON APRIL 15, GOOD FRIDAY, GREAT BRITAIN, UNITED STATES, ARGENTINA AND CANADA MARKETS WILL REMAIN CLOSED.

ON APRIL 16, IN GREAT BRITAIN, FOREIGN EXCHANGES, GOLD SILVER AND MONEY MARKETS WILL REMAIN OPEN. ALL OTHER MARKETS WILL REMAIN CLOSED.

AMERICAN MARKETS WILL REMAIN OPEN BUT ARGENTINA WILL BE CLOSED. APRIL 18, ALL MARKETS IN GREAT BRITAIN WILL REMAIN CLOSED. AMERICAN MARKETS WILL BE OPEN.

APRIL 19, LIVERPOOL COTTON AND LIVERPOOL WHEAT WILL OPEN ONE HOUR LATER THAN USUAL. OTHER MARKETS WILL OPEN AS USUAL. COMMENCING FROM MONDAY, APRIL 25, NEW YORK MESSAGES WILL BE RECEIVED ONE HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL IN RELATION TO THE INDIAN STANDARD TIME.

which on covering by shorts again advanced to Rs. 166/12 for Broach A/May on Friday and the prices remained to day as above. At advancing prices buyers seem to be cautious, while sellers also appear to be apprehensive about selling at low prices.

MARKET TALK.

There were talks in the market that a prominent option dealer would weigh over about 1 lakh bales against A/May delivery, if the prices declined below Rs. 165/. It was further said that the party had down hired godowns to store up the tendered bales. Even subsequent to these news the market declined as abovementioned which shows that these talks failed to effect the market. One reason for the uneffectiveness of these talks is said to be that at higher rates this party would get only small purchases of A/May, and that if prices decline further he will get more purchases than intended to take delivery of. The true position in this respect will mainly depend on the rates at which option is settled on 30th March.

As the time for settlement of A/May option is approaching near, those who accept options at low premium have to compulsorily sell or buy on fluctuations of 2 Rs. and due to this amount of business in the market also remains in good proportion.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest (10-8 a.m.)	8.78+06
New York May lowest (10-39 a.m.)	8.70—02
Liverpool May highest	4.69+05
Liverpool May lowest	4.87+03

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Long liquidation for near months more to come. Trade poor. Market likely to sag lower. Favour accumulating new crops on any weak market.

New York: Market quiet. Light foreign selling absorbed by trade and locals.

Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Inclined advise gradually transferring long Julys ahead account concentrated position.

New York:—

Straddle selling absorbed by trade Garside's consumption figures reduced crop progressing favourable small demand in South but no pressure to sell.

Mills scarcity of contracts looks like a fluctuating market without decided tendency for a while in the absence of any developments.

Wheat: Little pressure of Australian weather conditions favourable.

Silver: London: Immediate effect Mexico announcement must be downward and if America purchase Mexico silver not resumed would expect Mexico offerings here to keep prices rather lower levels regulated by American policy towards open market to-day probably appreciably lower but impracticable to estimate to what extent.

New York: Our Government differing buying Mexican silver until further notice.

Silver official price Dollars 44 cents.

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cable from New York cotton exchange service:

Revisions American and foreign cottons respectively:—

Total supply this season 24,985,000 and 25,578,000.

Consumption first half season 5,862,000 and 7,948,0000

Consumption February 867,000 and 1,210,000.

Mill trends America and abroad adverse. Domestic business unchanged. Commodities easier.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 28

May	8.73+01
July	8.78—01
October	8.83—
December	8.84—03
January	8.85—03
March	8.91+02
Middling Spot	8.79+01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, March 28

May	8.87+02
July	8.91—
October	8.96+01
Middling pot	8.97+02

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 29

Following a decline of one point in New York cotton futures the local market opened to-day at Rs. 167/4 for Broach J/A delivery and prices fluctuated within a narrow range with a moderate business.

Liverpool market was due to open at a rise of one point and it opened 3 points down. The local market was unaffected as prices had declined before in anticipation. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

Broach A/M	164	2	0
Broach J/A	167	6	0
Oomra May	147	8	0
Oomra July	149	8	0
Bengal May	126	0	0
Bengal July	127	8	0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, March 29.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	FG.	Good
M. G.—					
Bengal U.P.	133	130	127	124	
Punjab	133	130	127	124	
Rajputana	133	130	127	124	
Oomra No. 3	155	152	149	146	...
C. P. No. 1	167	164	161	158	..
C. P. No. 2	160	157	154	151	...
Broach No. 2	169	167	165	164	

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, March 29.

Bengal Superfine	134/36
Bengal Fine	130/32
Bengal F.G.	127/28
C.P. 1	156/61
C.P. 2	151/52
Arvi	153/54
Amraoti	146/48
Ellichpur	153/54
Berar	148/50
Khandesh	138/42
Jalna/Sailu	138/42
Burwah/Sanavad	150/52
Khandwa	150/52
Harda/Khirkiya	152/54
Mathia	126/31
Malkapur	144/46
Broach	166/68
Punjab 4 F.	181/84
Punjab 289F.	214/19
Sindh 4 F.	174/79
Sindh N. T.	199/204
Kampala	282/84
Jinja	264/66
Jagadia/Ankleshwar	210/11

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, March 29.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

In full-pressed Bales.	Since 1st September. 2 days	This year	Last year.
Khandesh		46,287	197,646
Central India		36,018	304,793
Barsi and Nagar	695	124,678	151,027
Hyderabad-Gaorani	113	36,610	81,914
Berar	1,181	266,677	509,076
Central Provinces	203	59,031	104,577
Total Oomras	2,192	569,301	1,349,033
Dholera	877	50,148	52,214
N.-W. Provinces		2,558	7,684
Rajputana		12,212	66,441
Sind-Punjab	3,335	450,518	276,512
Broach	4,615	75,705	202,495
Coompta and Dharwar	328	11,558	13,574
Western-Northerns	206	9,080	18,784
Cocoanada		12	124
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		1,417	3,502
American		152,929	4,560
Egyptian, African and Sudan		5,075	273,015 204,764
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		1,170	29
Total	16,628	1,609,623	2,199,718

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F.P. Bales	1937-38	1936-37
Receipts to date 28-3-38	7283000	6179000
Receipts Yesterday 28-3-38	17000	17000
Exports to date 28-3-38	4847000	4568000
Stock at Ports 25-3-38	3044000	1869000
Stock at Interior Towns 25-3-38	2428000	1619000
Stock at Liverpool 25-3-38	1203000	969000
Visible Supply 25-3-38	7228000	5151000
Quantity in sight 25-3-38	12526000	11655000
Quantity out of sight 25-3-38	8179000	9756000

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY.

1st Sept. to 24th March.

In full-pressed Bales.	Yester-day	This year	Last year
Europe		1,930	178,158 289,838
Japan and China		2,119	375,285 937 856
Coast Ports			41,209 13.993
Up-country by Rail			231,553 168,910
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan			15,077 37,723
Total		4,049	841,282 1,447,420

NEW YORK

New York, March 28

11-00 A.M. RANGES—	
May	8.72/8.72
July	8.79/8.79
October	8.83/8.83
NOON CALL—	
May	8.71
July	8.77
October	8.62

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, March 28

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	17,000 bales.
Day's exports to Great Britain	2,000 bales.
Day's exports to the Continent	4,000 bales.
Day's exports to China and Japan	8,000 bales.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, March 28

March	4.85+04
April	4.85+04
May	4.88+04
June	4.92+05
July	4.96+05
August	4.98+05
September	5.01+05
October	5.04+05
November	5.05+05
December	5.06+05
January	5.08+05
February	5.09+05
March	5.11+05
Middling Spot	5.00+04
10-12 a.m. quotations	
May	4.88
October	5.04

Gold & Silver

EXTENSIVE NERVOUS SELLING IN SILVER

Bombay, March 29

As pointed out yesterday, Silver prices again dropped to Rs. 48/2 on extensive unloading on the local market. There was a marked absence of demand and it appears that if Mexico is forced to sell her silver in London there will be a further drop.

Yesterday London gold prices declined 1/2d. to £7-0-3. London Paris Exchange rate was 69 points up at 164.56 and Dollar sterling quotation was 4.96 1/4. London silver prices declined 3/4d. to 19 5/8d. and forward was down 11/16d. to 19 7/16d. Speculators sold and poor support. Speculative purchases at the fall. The market was quiet. Later the market was dull with undertone nervous. There was some American trade covering at 1/16 under fixed price. Buyers were scarce.

New York silver price was reduced one cent to 43 3/4c. Montreal futures declined 150 to 220 points. Shanghai T T on London was quoted 1/-. The local market was nervous with extensive selling. Silver opened at Rs. 48/10 and declined to Rs. 48/2. Gold was barely steady with a moderate business.

GOLD

Ready	34	13	0
Chaitra delivery	34	12	0
Chaitra tejimandi	0	2	6
Vaishaka delivery	34	11	3
Vaishak.. tejimandi	0	4	0

SILVER

Ready	48	2	0
Chaitra delivery	48	2	0
Chaitra tejimandi	1	3	0
Vaishaka delivery	48	3	0
Vaishaka tejimandi	1	14	0

LONDON SILVER

London, March 28

Spot	19 5/8
Forward	19 7/16

LONDON GOLD

London, March 28

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£7-0-3

Drop In Montreal Silver

Montreal, March 29

March	43.50—150
May	42.50—220
July	42.50—210

LONDON METAL

London, March 29

Copper	£	39	0 0
Lead	£	18	5 0
Spelter	£	14	2 6
Tin	£	182	15 0

Bombay Metals

Bombay, March 29.

London Market.—	
Standard copper cash (buyers)	£38-17-6
Standard copper 3 months	£39-2-6
Electrolytic copper	£43-10-0
Bombay Market.—	
Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 36-0-0
Copper sheets	Rs. 44-4-0

Tone:—Steady.

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, March 28.

April	£10-2-6.
May	£10-2-6.

GROUNDNUTS & SEEDS

Bombay, March 29.

Groundnuts May—			
Opening	27	10	6
Highest	27	12	0
Lowest	27	9	3
Closing	27	9	6
Castorseeds May—			
Opening	32	4	6
Highest	32	5	6
Lowest	32	0	6
Closing	32	2	0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	18	1	3
Highest	18	2	3
Lowest	18	1	0
Closing	18	2	3

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, March 28.

March	79 3/4d.
May	80 1/2d.
July	80d.
October	79 1/4d.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, March 28.

May	dol 0.86 1/8.
July	dol 0.82 3/8.
September	dol 0.83 1/8.

LONDON SUGAR

London, March 29

May	sh. 5 2 1/2d.

New York Sugar

New York, March 28.

July	2.15.
September	2.17.
January	2.16.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, March 29.

Ready Javas Rs. 15-2.
Shipment April-June Rs. 5-1.
Shipment July-Sept. Rs. 5-1.
Shipment Oct-Dec. Rs. 5-1.
Kesar Rs. 12-5.
Saraya Rs. 11-12.
Java Spot F. 7.00

Produce Receipts

Bombay, March 29.

Wheat	15,654 Cwts.
Linseed	14,391 Cwts.
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	2,392 Cwts.
Gingellyseed	1,347 Cwts.
Poppyseed	57 Cwts.
Groundnuts	10,155 Cwts.
Castorseed	489 Cwts.
Rice	33,995 Cwts.
Myrabollams	1,193 Cwts.
Cottonseed	4,242 Cwts.
Gram	539 Cwts.
Joowar	1,932 Cwts.
Barley	241 Cwts.
Bajree	258 Cwts.
Indian Sugar	23,306 Cwts.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, March 29

2 3/4 per cent 1948/57	100/4
3 per cent 1951/64	102/6
3 per cent 1941	103
3 per cent U P Bonds 9/	
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash	97/15
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan	106
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	108
4 per cent 1960/70	113/14
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60	118/10
5 per cent 1939/43	104
5 per cent 1939/43	107/2
5 1/2 per cent 1938/40 Loan	101 14

TAX FREES

4 per cent 1953/63	113
5 per cent 1955	122
5 per cent 1945/55	118/6
3 1/2 per cent 1939 Mysore	101/14

Note:—3 1/2 per cent Government paper opened to-day at Rs. 97/13 and declined to Rs. 97/11 and closed at Rs 97/11. Tone: Quietly steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, March 29

B. C. RATES—

T O D 1/8 1/16

LONDON

Bank's selling I I U D	1/6 3/32
Bank's buying T T	1/6 5/32
Bank's buying D D	1/6 3/16
Bank's buying 3 months	1/6 7/32

NEW YORK—

Bank's selling T T	267 3/4
Bank's buying T T	265 1/4

PARIS—

Bank's selling T T	1,230
Bank's buying T T	1,260

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Tata Ordinary: (238) 237 236/8 237/8 236/8 234/8 233

Tata Deferred: (1030) 1030 1025 1017/8 1027/8 1015 1005 1015 1002/8

Bombay Dyeing. (880) 875 880 867/8 870 865

JAPAN—

Bank's selling T T	77 1/2
Bank's buying T T	77

AMSTERDAM—

Bank's selling D D	67 3/8

JAVA—

Bank's selling D D	67 1/4

HONGKONG—

Bank's selling D D	83 1/4

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D	72 nominal

SINGAPORE—

Bank's selling D D	155 3/4

BERLIN—

Bank's selling D D	91 3/4

CROSS RATE—

New York London 4.96.56 28th instant
Japan London 1/2 29th instant
Hongkong London 1/2 27/32 29th instant
Shanghai London 1/0 nominal 29th instant
Java London 8.95 3/4 29th instant
London Paris 164.56 28th instant
London Belgium 29.42 1/4 28th instant
London Switzerland 21.66 1/2 28th instant
London Berlin 12.36 1/4 28th instant
London Stockholm 19.41 3/4 28th instant
London New York 4.96 28th instant
London Amsterdam 8.97 28th instant
London Italy 94.22 28th instant
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady
Gold £7-0-3 1/2 26th instant
Gold £7-0-3 28th instant
Silver London Ready 20 3/8 26th instant
Silver London Ready 19 5/8 26th instant
Silver London Forward 20 1/8 26th instant
Silver London Forward 19 7/16 28th instant
Silver New York Ready 45 26th instant
Silver New York Ready 45 28th instant
London discounts 3 months 9/16 per cent 28th instant
London discounts 3 months 9/16 per cent 28th instant
London discounts 6 months 5/8 per cent 28th instant
London discounts 6 months 5/8 per cent 28th instant
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—
Call 3/4 per cent.
3 months 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/4 per cent.
Tone:—Easy.

Indian Sterling Loans

London, March 28

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	77
3 1/2 per cent	90 1/2
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	103
4 per cent 1948/53	107 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	112 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	115 3/4
5 per cent 1942/47	111 1/2
3 per cent 1949/52	98 3/4
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	73 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War loan	101 1/2
4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90	111
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	43/9

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, March 29

Broach A/M 1938 opening 165 3/4 highest 166 1/8 lowest 165 3/8 closing 165 3/8

Broach J/A opening 169 highest 169 5/8 lowest 168 3/4 closing 168 7/8

Oomra May opening 148 5/8 highest 148 5/8 lowest 148 1/2 closing 148 1/2

Oomra July opening 150 1/2 highest 150 1/2 lowest 150 1/2 closing 150 1/2

Bengal May opening 127 1/2 highest 127 1/2 lowest 127 1/4 closing 127 1/4

Bengal July opening 128 3/4 highest 128 3/4 lowest 128 3/4 closing 128 3/4

Tejimandi for Broach July August (21-4-38) Rs. 5 7/

Tejimandi for Broach July August (24-6-38) Rs. 12 3/4

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, March 28

SAKELS—		
May	13.47	+1
July	13.60	+1
ASHMOUNI—		
April	10.36	—2
June	10.34	—0
GIZA—		
May	12.62	+4
July	12.70	+4

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, March 28

Fair Rio coffee No. 7 quality 6 1/8

PAY IN—APRIL 11 . PAY OUT—APRIL 13

Renewed Selling On Stock Exchange

TATA STEELS AGAIN EASY

Increased Selling In Textile Issues

BOMBAY, March 29.

It being the end of the month there was scattered liquidation in the local Share Bazar and most of the improvement recorded yesterday was lost to-day. American advices were quiet. U. S. Steel shares declined dol. 1/4 and Anaconda Copper Minings gained dol 5/8. U. S. Steel production is about 35.8 per cent.

In the local Market there was increased selling in Cotton Mill shares, which ruled easy.

Tata Steel shares were barely steady at the opening, but in the absence of any support prices sagged. Tata Steel Dfds. declined to Rs. 1,000 from Rs. 1,027-8, while Ordinary shares were easy at Rs. 231-8. Budly differences were wider and yield about 8 per cent. interest. This change indicates that there are some weak holders, but just at the time of dividends there cannot be large deliveries.

The market looks like a trading affair. Some Professional Operators and Investors are likely to be out of the City owing to approach of Summer and the Market will be left over to Tarawaniwalas for some time.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, March 29.

100 Ahm. Advance (Rs. 9)		398	12
250 BOM DYEING (Rs. 25)		863	8
100 CENTURY (Rs. 6)		249	6
100 CEN. INDIA (Rs. 4)		238	12
100 COLABA (Rs. 4)	XD	168	12
100 Cooria (Rs 5)		110	0
250 David		75	0
250 Dawn (Rs. 10)		362	8
1 E.D Sassoon Df. (nil)		0-6-3	
100 Finlay (Rs. 3)		139	6
100 GOKAK (Rs. 4-8).		160	0
1,000 Hindustan		1720	0
100 Indore		65	0
100 Khatau (Rs 3)		122	8
100 KOHINOOR (Rs. 12)		292	8
250 Laxmi (Rs 12-8)		537	8
250 Madras United		35	0
1,000 Morarji (Rs. 40)		1,102	8
250 Model		49	4
50 MYSORE (Rs 2)		121	
200 NEW GREAT (nil)		245	0
100 Oosmanshahi (Rs. 1)		42	8
100 Phoenix (Rs 10)		253	12
25 Sassoon Silk (Rs. 2)		71	4
1,000 Sholapur (Rs 30)		1,910	0
50 SIMPLEX (Rs. 2)		83	12
100 SWADESHI (Rs. 5)		217	8
100 Swan (Rs 2-8)		106	4
500 Vishnu (Rs 30)		1,320	0
1000 Western (Rs. 40)		820	0
BANKS.			
50-100 Baroda (Rs 2-8)		114	12
25-50 Central (As. 12)	XD	31	4
500 Imperial (Rs 30)		1535	0
125-500 Imp. Contry. (Rs. 7-8)		383	12
50-100 India (Rs 2-8)		142	8
100 Reserve Bank (Rs. 2-8)		116	8
5 Union (As. 4)		5	14
CEMENTS			
100 ASSOCIATED (Rs. 7-8)		119	8
INSURANCE.			
100-500 Empire (Rs. 14)		855	0
15-100 Jupiter (As. 12)		13	3
20 Mercantile		35	0
15-75 New India (Rs. 1-4)		38	8
200 Oriental		4350	0
10-50 Vulcan (As. 8)		7	3
ELECTRIC			
100 Ahm. Old (Rs. 6-8)		141	4
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY (Rs. 45 plus 30)	XD	1402	8
10 Ajmer (As. 8)		12	10
50 BOM TRAM. (Rs 2-6)		124	1
100 B'bay Suburban (Rs. 6-8)		165	0
10 Broach (As 5)		10	3
100 Karachi (4)		222	8
100 Poona (4)		206	4
100 Surat (Rs. 3)		170	0
100 TATA HYDRO (Rs. 4-8 plus 3)		144	11
1000 TATA POWER (Rs. 37-8 plus 25)		1,362	8
RAILWAYS.			
500 Ahmedabad Prantej		922	8
100 C. Province		99	4
100 Dh Baramati		104	1
100 Gujarat		99	0
100 Mandra Bhon		101	0
100 Pachora Jamner		94	2
100 Sara Sirajgunj		100	12
500 Tapti Valley		727	8
MININGS.			
9 Burma Corp. (As. 11)		6-11	
2sh. Indian Copper (As. 1-6)		2	4
10 Indian Iron and Steel (Rs. 1-8)		28	0
10 SHIVRAJPUR (Rs. 2)		49	8
30 TATA STEEL DFD (Rs. 36-3-6)		1,002	8
75 TATA STEEL ORDY (Rs. 10)		231	8
MISCELLANEOUS.			
100 ALCOCK (Rs 5)		342	8
50 BELAPUR SUGAR (Rs. 5)		157	8
50 Bom. Dyeing Safe Dep. (Rs. 13-12)		855	0
250 BOMBAY STEAM (Rs. 5)		243	12
125 B. Burma (Rs. 20)		576	4
50 Do. Conty. (Rs. 8)		200	0
8sh. Br. B. Petrol		3-8-6	
50 BOM TELEPHONE (Rs. 2-8)		93	8
100 I BLEACHING (Rs. 4)		140	0
50 I. Invest Trust		44	8
100 I Radio Defd (12)		527	8
100 I Radio Ord (15)		425	0
1000 Port Canning (Rs. 26)		690	0
30 PREMIER CON. (Rs. 2-15)		72	0
15 Scindia		19	12
25 Tata Oil Mill (nil)		30	8
PREFERENCE.			
7 p.c. Andhra Valley		1500	0
6 p.c Bombay Steam		287	8
7 p.c. B'bay Tram (T.F.)		73	8
5 p.c Central India (T.F.)		552	8

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, March 29

Bombay Dyeing (883/12)	885 865 867 858 863
Century (255)	252 251 253 250 249
Central India (246/4)	245 238 240 238
Kohinoor (301/4)	302 293 295 292
New Great (257/8)	257 258 253 247 246
Simplex (84/6)	83
Swadeshi (228/12)	225 220 217
Associated Cement (120/4)	120 121 119/12 119/8
Andhra (X D 1412/8)	1402/8
Tata Hydro (144)	144 144/11
Tata Power (1360)	1380 1362
Tram Ord (120/10)	121 122 124/1 1022 1006 1015 997 1002
T Steel Defd (1035)	1027 1020 1027 1017
T Steel Ord (238)	237 236 237 232 234 231/8 232 231/8
Tata Steel 2nd pref (173)	173
Belapur (158/2)	157
B Steam (243/12)	241 243/12
B Burma (588/12)	583 586 578 580 575

YARN EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, March 29.

Yarn No. 6 1/2s.—			
April	110	0	0
June	109	0	0
August	139	0	0
Yarn No. 10 1/2s.—			
April	127	0	0
June	126	0	0
August	125	0	0
Yarn No. 20 1/2s.—			
April	167	0	0
June	166	0	0
August	166	0	0

Broach Contract Widened

The Directors of the East India Cotton Association at a meeting yesterday decided upon the broadening the Broach hedge contract by the inclusion of Southern varieties.

It is understood that this will come into force with the New April/May Broach contract

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, March 28

GIZA—			
Spot	7.28	—1	
March	6.75	—2	
May	6.74	+3	
July	6.83	+3	
October	6.90	+3	
November	6.90	+3	
January	6.91	+3	
UPPERS—			
Spot	6.03	—1	
March	5.88	—0	
May	5.92	+1	
July	5.97	+1	
October	6.02	—0	
November	6.02	—0	
January	6.05	—0	

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 26th March	18,705
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1937	1,582,935
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	2,178,258
Decrease	595,323

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New York Liverpool: May 138 July 149 October 160 December 163 January 166 at cross rat 4.96 1/4

Bombay Liverpool: Broach A/M 1938 164/12 Liverpool May 1938 4.89 Rs. 48 1/4 at exchange 1/6

Bombay Liverpool: Broach J/A 1938 168/4 Liverpool July 4.97 Rs. 48 1/4 at exchange 1/6

Bombay New York: Broach A/M 1938 164/12 New York May 8.73 Rs. 30 1/4 at cross rate 4.96 1/4

Bombay New York: Broach J/A 1938 168/4 New York July 8.78 Rs. 28 1/2 at cross rate 4 96 1/4.

LONDON RUBBER

London, March 28

Smoked Sheets standard ribbed per lb Sellers	6 1/4

6-1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 1st	107	4	
6 1/4 p.c Prem Const 2nd	103	0	
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	XD	151	4
7-1/2 Tata Power	1580	0	
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st	206	4	
7-1/2 Tata Steel 2nd	173	0	
7 p.c Vishnu	703	12

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Mansa Peasants' Tale Of Woe

"WE FIGHT BECAUSE WE CANNOT PAY"

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

It is really a revelation when all around the stillness of slumber, a small community of peasants takes courage in both hands and gives a battle royal regardless of consequences, indifferent to sacrifices, impervious to harrowing privations. And that was the thing revealed when invited by Mansa Khedut Satyagraha Committee, a party of journalists, representing all shades of newspapers and Press services visited the villages of Mansa State.

To s[illegible] that we found the wagers o[illegible] is unique battle in an Indian [illegible]ate, brave, heroic and determined is to express truth [illegible]dly. It was a joy to see all classes of people, Patidars and Thakardas, merchantmen and petty artisans, welded together, rising as one man, speaking with one voice and acting with a single supreme will and purpose.

Peasants' Determination.

"Why are you doing this?"

Very naively one of us asked one peasant at Punjapura. It was at this village that the State Police on the fulfilment of their besieging tactics, locked up a 20-day-old child. And it was only the most piteous cries of the young mother that moved the authorities after some time. When the doors were opened, it was found that the child had been mauled by a wild cat. But it seems I have strayed. I should [illegible] the answer that I received [illegible] that peasant. Quietly but [illegible]y he replied: "How are we to [illegible]uch a heavy revenue?" The [illegible]ontinued further.

[illegible] it only now that you find [illegible] the burden is heavy? As you [illegible] the burden has been increas[illegible] with years, why do you strike [illegible]y now?"

"We paid as long as we could. [illegible]e fight because we cannot pay. Then he went on telling how [illegible]e was an increase in the reve[illegible] Classifications were changed. [illegible]nd how long will you conti[illegible]"

"[illegible]ill our demands are fully [illegible]nted."

"What are your demands?"

"[illegible] Joint Arbitration Board to go into the question of land revenue."

Police High-handedness.

We reached Mansa at about 1-15 p.m. Hardly had we finished our meals when the news came that State Police in their newly acquired motor lorry, with some police on horses-back had left for Bapupura.

Hurriedly we went to the village of Bapupura. Unfortunately for us we were late by a couple of minutes. Already the police, numbering about a dozen, of whom at least eight were not in uniform, had packed up the wheat crop lying in about four or five different and adjoining Khalas in sacks and had put the sacks in the lorry. There was no Panchnama there was no weighing. There was no means to distinguish one farmer's property from another's. All went together in sacks.

This was an attachment 'as per land revenue code,' as the Diwan Mr. Dave informed us later on. We were told that the owner having been terrorised, had run away and his crop was removed in his absence.

Seeing our lorries coming, the police began to put speed in their efforts and the lorry began to move escorted by the horsemen. Two or three policemen had taken their seats on the top of the bus and were waving their sticks as we were to learn later on from our experience, at us. The bus made a dash in a hedge, crushed it and came on the road. Some of us wanted to 'shoot this.' Seeing that we were nearing them, one of the policemen sitting on the mudguard (we had not been able to see him in the beginning) got up and in the running car removed his clothes and stood in one of the most unabashed and obscene pose. I do not know whether any one of our cameras have succeeded in shooting him thus. But we did succeed in inviting the ire of the police on us and choicest abuses and the foulest of language were showered on us. The distance between us and the lorry was increasing. Two or three of us were running at top speed to have some more photographs. Mr. Tendulkar was nearest to the bus. Exasperated some men at the top shouted "Kya Dekte Ho, Ghoda Chalao". (What are you seeing. Take the horse on him). One of the horsemen waited but immediately he changed his mind and began to ride fast. The object lesson was obvious. Had we not been in a fairly good number, we would have got a positive proof of the mighty arm of the Mansa State.

Then we went to the terror striken village Bapupura. It has perhaps the signal honour of being the most terrorised village. We saw the doors of the houses broken open with a sharp instrument. Some of them

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Under the auspices of the Bombay Branch of the Women's Indian Association and the National League of Women Voters a public meeting of women was held at Blavatsky Hall on Monday to collect funds in aid of the Anti-Tuberculosis Fund. Mrs. Meherbai S. Saklatwala (centre) presided.

Mr. Gerrard, Director of the J. J. School of Art, Bombay, addressing the members of the Photographic Society of India after opening of the Exhibition held recently.

HITCH IN BENGAL CABINET

Muslim Minister Threatens To Resign

CALCUTTA, March 29.

The "Statesman" is responsible for the information that although the budget discussions which were looked upon in the political circles in view of the recent developments to give rise to a crisis for the present Ministry are over, the Ministry do not as yet appear to be free from difficulties.

Replying on "inside information" the paper suggests that the difference of opinion existing between a certain Muslim Minister and some of his colleagues on several important points have come to a head culminating in the said Minister threatening to resign. The Minister concerned, on being interviewed, declined to make "premature" statement.

Interesting developments are expected.—United Press

Calcutta Students On Strike

Reception To Subhas Not Allowed

CALCUTTA, March 29.

With th exception of about a dozen girls all the students of the Scottish Church College were on strike this morning as a protest against the action of the College authorities not acceding to the students' demand to accord a reception to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, the Congress President.

The strikers numbering about 600 are gathered in front of the college shouting "Subhas Bose-Ki-Jai" and other slogans.

The Governing Body of the College has decided to close the College until further notice.—A. P.

DIFFERENCE IN ORISSA CONGRESS CIRCLES

Gandhiji's Advice May Be Sought For Settlement

BERBOI, March 29.

Mr. Vallabhbhai Patel met the Congress members of the Orissa Legislative Assembly last night when, it is understood, discussion centred round the differences in Orissa Congress circles.

The meeting which started at 8-30 p.m continued until after midnight. The discussion will be resumed to-day and it is likely that the advice of Mahatma Gandhi will be sought.—A. P.

ORISSA VILLAGE COMPLETELY GUTTED

Inmates Came To Attend Berboi Conference

BERBOI, March 29.

Ganjagurudi, a small village about four miles from Berboi, consisting of about 30 houses was burnt down to the ground by a fire last night.

Most of the villagers had come to Berboi in order to attend a public meeting and to have darshan of Mahatma Gandhi. The fire was noticed from Berboi at about 7-30 p.m. whereupon a batch of volunteers rushed to the village on foot, but they reached too late to be of any help.—A. P.

MOTOR VEHICLES DEPARTMENT

Minister Munshi Promises To Appoint Indians, When Suitable Candidates Are Forthcoming

Replying to short notice questions, by Mr. S. H. Jhabvala, Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi Minister for Law and Order stated in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on Tuesday that Government were aware of the fact that there was no Indian on the staff of the Motor Vehicles Department. The present members of the Staff possessed technical knowledge, and appointment in the Department was made by selection of candidates, who might or might not be in the police force. In April 1936, a vacancy occurred in the Department, and 77 applications were received. In the competitive examination held, an Indian obtained cent percent marks, and he was appointed an Inspector. He worked in that capacity for eight months. For the first period of his tenure as Inspector, he was given a certificate by the Commissioner of Police, but for the second period, no certificate was given because his general conduct was not found to be satisfactory.

WHY INDIAN NOT APPOINTED.

In 1937, another vacancy occurred, and the Indian was not appointed to the post, but an officer with prior claim was appointed. It was not true that the test papers for the latter examination were the same as the papers for the previous examination, though it was a fact that certain questions appeared in both. A test was held in 1938, to fill up another vacancy in the Department. The Indian in question was not appointed, because he was already found unsuitable.

In reply to supplementary question by Mr. Mirza Akhtar, the Minister wanted notice to find out, if another Indian had obtained 95 per cent marks in the first examination. It was not correct to say that the Motor Vehicles department was a monopoly of Europeans. As soon as an Indian with proper qualifications was found, he would be appointed in the Department.

Asked as to whether persons from outside the Province had been employed, the Minister stated that there were no hard and fast rules regarding it.

Replying to Mr. S. H. Jhabvala, the Minister stated that the Indian Officer in question had made allegations of corruption against certain officers of the Department, but he was not able to prove them. The Indian Officer in question had personally seen the Minister and made the allegations, but he could not substantiate them. After an enquiry, it was found that he had been for several months in the habit of making such allegations without being able to produce evidence in support. The Minister did not think it was proper to inform the House more about the conduct of the Indian, in his own interest.

Replying to Mr. Waman Mukadam, the Minister said that when the allegations about the Indian not being appointed was brought to his notice, he sent for all the papers and after going through them minutely, he came to the conclusion that no injustice had been done to him. He repeated that when suitable Indians were found, they would be appointed.

MAHARASHTRA LITERARY CONFERENCE

Interesting Programme Of 22nd Session To Be Held In Bombay

The 22nd Session of the Maharashtra Literary Conference is to be held in Easter next. An influential Reception Committee has been formed under the Chairmanship of Dr. Justice M. R. Jayakar and Mr. V. D. Sawarkar has been elected President of the Conference itself, which, it is expected, will be attended by over four thousand delegates. The fee for delegates has been fixed at Rs. 3 and for members of the Reception Committee at Rs. 5 and above.

The three days' programme of the Conference includes, besides the discussion of literary topics in open conference, certain items of particular interest. It includes the enactment of the play 'Maya Vivaha' written by the late S. K. Kolhatkar, the well-known Marathi-humorist and playwright, and the recitation of poems and songs, old and new. These recitations will be given by experts and songs are selected from a wide range of poetic effort and include a large number of ballads and lyrics and devotional chants, congregational and others, and folk-songs that have been sung by men and women of the performance of their daily duties. These are to be sung in their peculiar traditional manner and by artists of note; and their performance is intended to revive the popular interest in the forms of folk-art which have suffered long neglect.

ART EXHIBITION

An art exhibition is also to be held under the aegis of the Conference. Though one of its sections will contain a representative collection of the work of the leading artists of Bombay, the Exhibition itself will be largely concerned with art as allied with literature. It has long been realised elsewhere that the co-operation of the [illegible] Muse is to mutual advantage and [illegible]

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Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — *THE INVESTORS*

IF IT WORKS I CAN OPEN THIS DOOR AND GET MARGARET! I'VE GOT TO--- HIT THAT VASE!
CRASH!
DID YOU HEAR THAT? IT'S WADE-- COME ON!
LYMAN ANDERSON
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